

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE CHICAGO	OFFICE OF ORIGIN CHICAGO	DATE JUN 10 1971	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 2/4/71 - 6/2/71
TITLE OF CASE FRANK LA PORTE		REPORT MADE BY SA J. CARLTON PARKER, JR.	TYPED BY emm
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REFERENCES: Report of SA J. CARLTON PARKER, JR. dated 2/2/71;
Los Angeles letter to Chicago dated 3/30/71;
Las Vegas airtel to Chicago dated 3/3/71.

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INFORMANTS:

On 2/4/71, [] advised that [] had accompanied FRANK LA PORTE to San Diego, California, and had stayed with him at the Travel Lodge Hotel. LA PORTE was rewarding [] because his family had helped LA PORTE hide while avoiding service of a Federal Grand Jury subpoena.

LA PORTE is reported to have traveled to Corpus Christi, Texas, where he visited with [] grandmother for over a month. LA PORTE then moved to Minneapolis, Minnesota where he stayed a few more weeks with [] uncle.

III
The informant stated that the subject is serving as a messenger for TONY ACCARDO and PAUL RICCA concerning the Federal investigation of JOHN ROSELLI.

Both ACCARDO and RICCA are angry that ROSELLI had been furnishing information to the Grand Jury and have considered that he may have made a deal with the Federal Government to avoid going to jail.

III
On 3/11/71, [] advised that former Chicago attorney [] who is now located at Los Angeles, California, is promoting long-term leases for the Deauville Hotel and Gambling Cassino in Las Vegas. The source stated that ACCARDO and RICCA are considering making a hidden investment in the Deauville Hotel.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1 - USA, Chicago
1 - Attorney in Charge, Chicago Field Office
[redacted]

Report of: SA J. CARLTON PARKER, JR.
Date: JUN 10 1971

Office: CHICAGO

Field Office File #: 92-920

Bureau File #: 92-5793

Title: FRANK LA PORTE

Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis:

[redacted] Reno, Nevada, have been in contact with the subject and [redacted] concerning subject's interest in a tungsten mine in California. Information concerning [redacted] set forth. [redacted] is employed at the Ford Stamping Plant, Chicago Heights, Illinois. Telephone records of [redacted] set forth. Subject observed with RALPH EMERY and FRANK FRANZE. Automobile registrations of subject and his associates set forth.

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DETAILS:

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 12/22/70

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The following information was obtained from the records of [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] Santa Monica, California.

This information is confidential and can only be obtained by issuance of a subpoena duces tecum directed to the [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] Santa Monica, California.

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Huntington Beach, California.

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On 12/18/70 at Santa Monica, California File # Chicago 92-920
Los Angeles 92-1077

by SA [redacted] ldd Date dictated 12/23/70

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[] The following investigation was conducted by SA []

AT SANTA ANA, CALIFORNIA

The files of the records bureau, Orange County Sheriff's Office, checked December 30, 1970, contained no records identifiable with []

The files of the Credit Bureau of Southern Orange County list [] Huntington Beach, California, and also one [] at the same address.

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[] Chief Investigator, Orange County District Attorney's Office, contacted January 8, 1971, advised that they conduct investigations regarding gambling in Orange County, but that [] is not known to them.

AT HUNTINGTON BEACH, CALIFORNIA

The files of the Huntington Beach Police Department checked January 8, 1971, contained no record of [] but did show that [] same address was an applicant for the position of patrolman cadet.

[redacted] Huntington Beach, California was interviewed by Special Agents (SA) [redacted] and [redacted] on July 13, 1970. He furnished the following information:

He met JIMMIE FRATIANNIO in about 1965 through [redacted] of International Trailer Equipment Sales Company. [redacted] had sold FRATIANNIO considerable equipment and asked [redacted] to give FRATIANNIO any work that he could. [redacted] subsequently met FRATIANNIO through [redacted]

[redacted] at that time, owned twenty-four tractors amounting to about a \$200,000 equity.

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He entered into an agreement with FRATIANNIO and the Miles Trucking Company on a Highway Contract in the San Diego area which eventually resulted in the prosecution and conviction of FRATIANNIO on violation of PUC laws.

[redacted] met FRANK LA PORTE, FRANK BOMPENSIERO, and LEO MOCERI through his association with FRATIANNIO. LEO MOCERI lives in the same town in Illinois that RECUPIDO's mother lives, and MOCERI checks on his mother on occasion.

[redacted] has helped LA PORTE rebuild and sell some of the equipment that LA PORTE had in the above trucking venture. He has had no other dealings with LA PORTE regarding any businesses or projects in California.

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Date 3/8/71

[redacted] Reno, Nevada, furnished the following information:

In July 1970, he received information through [redacted] that a tungsten mine and mill doing business as the Marine Mills Properties, Inc., located near Bridgeport, California, were for sale. [redacted] had received the information through [redacted] who resides in Los Angeles, California.

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[redacted] flew to Los Angeles where he met [redacted] at the International Hotel. [redacted] told [redacted] the tungsten mine is owned by FRANK LA PORTE, [redacted] name not recalled, [redacted] and a fifth individual whose name PAYNE does not recall. The mill is owned by LA PORTE.

[redacted] returned to Reno, Nevada, where he contacted one [redacted] in Denver, Colorado. [redacted] stated he was interested and would attempt to get sufficient funds to back the purchase of the mine and mill. [redacted] paid for [redacted] air travel from Reno to Denver and from Denver to Chicago, Illinois, and return.

[redacted] flew to Chicago where he was met at the airport by [redacted]. They talked about the deal at the airport and [redacted] asked [redacted] for a percentage of the deal. [redacted] declined saying he made his living as a "curbstoner", that is locating deals, then handling the deal for a percentage. PALETTA then drove PAYNE to Chicago Heights, Illinois, where PAYNE obtained lodging for the two nights at the Holiday Inn Motel. This was the night that PALETTA called WOOD in Reno.

The next day, [redacted] while at the bar at the motel, received a telephone call from [redacted] who said he and LA PORTE were in [redacted] motel room.

[redacted] returned to his room where he met LA PORTE and they discussed the terms of the sale of the mine and mill.

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On 3/2/71 at Reno, Nevada File # LV 92-610

by SA [redacted] chsb Date dictated 3/5/71

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[] returned to Reno. About ten days later he flew to Denver where he conferred with [] and changes were made in the agreement and he then returned to Reno. He then drove to San Andreas, California, where he contacted [] president of the mining company. [] and [] drove to Bridgeport, California, where they contacted the Justice of the Peace who drew up the formal agreement for the sale of the mine and mill.

About August 24, 1970, [] flew to Chicago. On arrival he took a cab to a bar in Chicago Heights, Illinois, where he met [] and lunched with him. After lunch [] made a telephone call. [] and [] got into [] car and after driving for a short while, [] stopped and made a second telephone call. They then drove to a bar where they met LA PORTE in a back room. [] could not recall the names of the bars but recalled he met with LA PORTE for about one and a half hours and believed the time would be about 2:30 PM to 4:00 PM. They discussed the sale of the mine and the mill, and reached an agreement. [] returned to the airport where he took a 6:30 PM flight to Denver.

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In Denver he met with [] and discussed the sale. [] told [] he had been unable to get backing to make the purchase.

[] returned to Reno. Since his return to Reno he has made numerous trips to Bridgeport where he has made improvements in the mine and has done considerable exploratory work in the mine. He has also repaired equipment and has the mill operational.

[] said [] had called him twenty to twenty-five times either at his home, telephone 323-3540 or at the mill in Bridgeport, California, telephone number 714-932-8511.

[] said [] could be reached at telephone numbers 830-3423 and 892-3979. One of the numbers is [] residence and the other is at his place of employment. [] did not know which number was for employment.

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address: [] said [] furnished the following name and

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Chicago Heights, Illinois
Telephone 798-9118

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[] identified a photograph of FRANK LA PORTE
as being identical with the person he conferred with and
who was introduced to him as FRANK LA PORTE.

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Date 2/25/71

[redacted] Reno, Nevada, furnished the following information:

[redacted] is a retired General Motors Equipment salesman from Pasadena, California. He is currently employed as representative of the Canyon State Mining Company of Nevada. His job is to locate mining equipment, to buy it and locate purchasers for this used equipment.

ARIZ In late July or early August, 1970, [redacted] received a telephone call from one [redacted] who resides at Huntington Beach, California, and is a foreman with the Hess Mace Trucking Company in Southern California. [redacted] told WOOD that the tungsten plant in Birdgeport, California, area was for sale. He said [redacted] may have told him the names of the owners of the plant but he could not be certain.

[redacted] contacted a [redacted] the owner operator of E and G Equipment Company, 3900 West 4th Street, Reno, Nevada, and told him of the tungsten plant. [redacted] contacted a man named [redacted] in Denver, Colorado, who said he was interested in purchasing the plant. [redacted] flew to Chicago, Illinois, where he met the owners of plant but was unable to make the deal.

On morning about 12:30 A.M., while [redacted] was in Chicago, [redacted] received a telephone call from a [redacted] one of the owners of the tungsten plant. [redacted] believed [redacted] name was [redacted] (phonetic). [redacted] was very friendly and called [redacted] by his first name, even though, they had never met. They discussed the tungsten plant. During the conversation [redacted] mentioned the name of the other owner of the plant but [redacted] could not recall his name.

[redacted] told [redacted] he was met at the airport in Chicago by the two owners of the tungsten plant but [redacted] was unable to recall any details of the meeting between [redacted] and the owners.

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On 2/24/71 at Reno, Nevada File # LV 92-610-

by SA [redacted] jn Date dictated 2/25/71

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[] said there was another telephone call from Chicago but he could not recall whether it was before or after the above mentioned call.

[] viewed a photograph of FRANK LA PORTE and stated he had not seen LA PORTE and the name was familiar to him.

Concerning [] said [] is an old acquaintance. [] met him in Arizona while [] was in Arizona selling truck equipment. [] was foreman at an unrecalled trucking company. A few years ago [] through [] obtained employment with the Hess Mace Trucking Company.

[] buys and sells used equipment of all types. [] gives [] information about equipment that [] company will not handle and then PAYNE locates buyers. [] said [] is hard to locate as he owes money to "everyone in town".

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On April 28, 1971, Records of the Illinois Bell Telephone Company (IBTC), Chicago, Illinois, reflected the following information:

Telephone number 755-2621 is listed to [redacted]
[redacted] Chicago Heights, Illinois.

Telephone number 672-7696 is listed to [redacted]
[redacted] Crete, Illinois.

Telephone number 755-9048 is listed to [redacted]
[redacted] Crete, Illinois.

On May 5, 1971, [redacted] Manager, Hourly Wage Employee Section, Ford Stamping Plant, Chicago Heights, Illinois, advised that the records of his office contained the following information:

SOCCSEC# [redacted]

[redacted] was born [redacted] He began his employment on August 22, 1960, and has been employed since that time except for his service with the United States Air Force from 1960 to 1964. He is presently employed as an Inspector, earning \$5.47 per hour.

[redacted] graduated from Bloom High School, Chicago Heights, Illinois, in 1956. He is married and has listed three children. His wife is named [redacted] and their children are [redacted] born [redacted] and [redacted] born [redacted]. They reside at [redacted] Crete, Illinois, and [redacted] has previous addresses of [redacted] Park Forest, Illinois, and [redacted] Crete, Illinois.

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[redacted] lists his father as [redacted] Crete, a musician, his mother as [redacted] same address, a housewife, and a brother as [redacted] same address.

On May 5, 1971, records of the Bureau of Vital Statistics, Chicago, Illinois, had no birth record identifiable with [redacted]. The birth records for his children list his wife as [redacted], age [redacted] born in Chicago Heights, Illinois.

On May 5, 1971, [redacted] Clerk, advised that the records of the Credit Bureau of Chicago Heights, which

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serves Crete, Illinois. show [redacted] in 1967 was employed by WGN Radio and [redacted] was a housewife. Their address was RR #1, Crete, Illinois.

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[redacted] has been on file with the Credit Bureau since 1959 and has had good credit experience. His Social Security Number is [redacted]

Pursuant to a subpoena duces tecum issued by a Federal Grand Jury sitting at Chicago, Illinois, [redacted]
[redacted]

[redacted]

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On February 18, 1971, at 3:21 p.m., [redacted] was observed in a green Mercury Marquis, 1971 Illinois license CD 1468, at the Chateau Farm Restaurant, Calumet City, Illinois. Other cars parked in the lot of this restaurant had the following 1971 Illinois licenses:

933-614, which is listed to [redacted]
[redacted] Park Forest, Illinois

103 134, which is listed to [redacted]
[redacted] Chicago, Illinois

CL 6817, registration for which is not yet available

On February 19, 1971, at 5:15 p.m., the subject's green Oldsmobile, which has 1971 Illinois license SE 8451, and a dark green Mercury Marquis, which has 1971 Illinois license 986 470, were parked in the driveway of the DOLLY BARTUSIEWICZ residence, 1716 Cambridge Road, Flossmoor, Illinois. Parked at the residence of [redacted] Flossmoor, Illinois, was a grey Chevrolet, which had 1971 Illinois license TA 6696.

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On February 24, 1971, at 11:15 a.m., [redacted] was observed driving west on 127th Street in the previously mentioned green Mercury. He proceeded to the Maplewood Inn, Maplewood Avenue, Blue Island, Illinois, where he entered the lounge.

On March 1, 1971, at 9:30 a.m., [redacted] green Mercury and a light green compact car, which had 1971 Illinois license TA 6679, were in the driveway of the FRANK FRANZE residence, 1729 Cambridge Road, Flossmoor, Illinois. The subject's green Oldsmobile and BARTUSIEWICZ's red Buick were parked in the BARTUSIEWICZ's driveway.

On March 11, 1971, at 10:35 a.m., the subject's green Oldsmobile and [redacted] green Mercury were parked behind Co-Operative Music Company, 1728 Halsted, Chicago Heights, Illinois. At 4:29 p.m., a red Pontiac, 1971 Illinois license CP 348, and a black Oldsmobile, 1971 Illinois license SE 8088, were parked in the driveway of the [redacted] residence, [redacted] Crete, Illinois.

On March 15, 1971, at 11:05 a.m., [] green Mercury was parked in front of the Garfolo Grocery Store in the Olympia Shopping Plaza, Chicago Heights, Illinois. [] returned to his car at 11:07 a.m., and drove to the FRANK FRANZE residence. When he arrived there, parked in the [] driveway was a green Volkswagen, 1971 Illinois license CC 6071. There were no cars in the driveway of the BARTUSIEWICZ or LA PORTE residences. At 11:38 a.m., LA PORTE's green Oldsmobile was parked beside Co-Operative Music Company. At 2:40 p.m., the only car parked at Co-Operative Music Company was a tan Buick Electra, 1971 Illinois license CY 2045.

On March 17, 1971, at 12:55 p.m., [] green Mercury was observed parked in the lot of the Town and Country Motel, Calumet Expressway, Calumet City, Illinois.

On March 23, 1971, at 3:50 p.m., the only car parked at the Co-Operative Music Company was a black over green Buick Electra, 1971 Illinois license 960 318. At 4:55 p.m., [] green Mercury and a black over white Pontiac, 1971 Illinois license 965 633 were parked behind the house at 1033 South Halsted, Chicago Heights, Illinois. Both cars remained in their parking places at 5:30 p.m.

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On April 22, 1971, at 2:38 p.m., [] was observed at the Castaway's Bowling Lanes, Sibley Boulevard, Calumet City, Illinois.

On April 19, 1971, at 1:45 p.m., a black Buick, 1971 Illinois license CU 6309 was the only car parked at Co-Operative Music.

On April 21, 1971, the black over yellow Pontiac, which had a damaged rear end, was the only car parked at MIKE PAOLETTA's residence, 251 Arquilla, Chicago Heights, Illinois, at 9:05 a.m. The car had no license plates. At 9:15 a.m., the only car parked in the BARTUSIEWICZ driveway was the subject's green Oldsmobile. There were no cars at the FRANZE or PULCINI residences.

On April 26, 1971, at 12:20 p.m., the only car parked at the [] residence was a tan Maverick, 1971 Illinois license TA 6753.

On May 20, 1971, at 4:55 p.m., the subject's green Oldsmobile and BARTUSIEWICZ's red Buick were parked in the drive-

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way of the BARTUSIEWICZ residence. Also in that driveway was a blue Corvair, 1971 Illinois license KE 2340. Parked in the FRANZE driveway was a green Chevrolet, 1971 Illinois license KE 4302. At 7:00 p.m., [redacted] was standing in the driveway of the subject's residence talking to a young white male who had light red hair.

On April 2, 1971, [redacted] Captain, Homewood Illinois Police Department (PD), advised that he had been eating lunch in the Tivoli Restaurant, Chicago Heights, Illinois, on April 1, 1971, and had observed the subject and RALPH EMERY eating lunch at that restaurant together. They departed in EMERY's Cadillac which had 1971 Illinois license NS 9762. Parked beside EMERY's Cadillac had been a white over bronze Cadillac which had 1971 Illinois license 937 369 which is listed to [redacted] Calumet City.

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Date March 8, 1971.

The following observations were made on
March 4, 1971:

9:56 a.m. Parked at Co-Operative Music Company, 1728 Halsted Street, Chicago Heights, Illinois, were a green Oldsmobile 98, 1971 Illinois license NS 9606; a tan Pontiac, 1971 Illinois license CP 2057; and a green Chevrolet, 1971 Illinois license SE 1155.

10:17 a.m. The above-described Oldsmobile was parked in front of E-Z Snack, 9 East Illinois, Chicago Heights..

10:20 a.m. A green Oldsmobile 98, 1971 Illinois license SE 8451 was parked at Co-Operative Music with the above mentioned Pontiac and Chevrolet.

12:28 to 2:44 p.m. The Oldsmobile, license SE 8451 was parked at Savoia's Restaurant.

2:44 p.m. FRANK LAPORTE and FRANK FRANZE came from Savoia's Restaurant, entered the Oldsmobile and departed. LAPORTE was driving and FRANZE was seated next to him. They traveled East on 14th Street, South on Division, East on 16th Street, South on Euclid Avenue, East on Hickory Street, to the Co-operative Music Store. LAPORTE parked the car beside the store and he and FRANZE entered the side door of the store.

3:25 p.m. LAPORTE came from Co-Operative Music, entered the Oldsmobile above and drove to Cipriani's Food Store, Dixie Highway, Chicago Heights.

On 3/4/71 at Chicago Heights, Ill. File # CG 92-920
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by SA JCP/lmk Date dictated 3/8/71

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3:32 p.m. LAPORTE came from Cipriani's Food Store, entered the Oldsmobile and proceeded North on Dixie Highway.

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1Date April 5, 1971

The following observations were made on March 26, 1971, at the time indicated:

2:00 P. M.

Parked on Hickory Street beside the Co-Operative Music Company, 1728 Halsted, Chicago Heights, was a green Oldsmobile, 1971 Illinois license SE 8451, a tan Buick, 1971 Illinois license CY 2045, and a light green Buick, 1971 Illinois license 960-318.

2:34 P. M.

A golden colored Cadillac, 1971 Illinois license NS 9762 arrived at Co-Operative Music and stopped on Hickory Street at the side entrance to the building. [redacted] and FRANK LA PORTE got out of the Cadillac and after pausing to speak to the driver of the car, entered Co-Operative Music. The Cadillac departed immediately and travelled north on Halsted Street to Cipriani Restaurant, 10th Street and Halsted Street. RALPH EMERY, who was the only occupant of the car, got out of the Cadillac and entered Cipriani's at 2:39 PM.

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On 3/26/71 at Chicago Heights, Illinois File # CG 92-2013
SA [redacted] vel 3/30/71
by _____ Date dictated _____

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Date 4/5/71

The following observations were made on April 1, 1971, at the times indicated:

3:25 p.m. A green Oldsmobile, 1971 Illinois License SE 8451, was parked in the lot of Ada's Restaurant, 525 Dixie Highway, Chicago Heights, Illinois.

4:12 p.m. The above described car, being driven by FRANK LAPORTE, who was alone in the car, arrived at the BARTUSIEWICZ residence on Cambridge Road, Flossmoor, Illinois. He parked the car in the driveway and entered the residence through the garage.

On 4/1/71 at Chicago Heights, and Flossmoor, Illinois File # CG 92-920

by SA [redacted] /cas Date dictated 4/5/71

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On June 2, 1971, the records of the Auto Registration Section, Office of the Secretary of State, Springfield, Illinois, reflected the following information for 1971 Illinois licenses listed below:

965 633 is listed to [redacted]
[redacted] Chicago Heights, Illinois
for a 1965 Pontiac. She has Social
Security Number (SSN) [redacted]

CC 6071 is listed to [redacted]
[redacted] Flossmoor, Illinois
for a 1966 Volkswagen. He has SSN [redacted]

CD 1468 is listed to [redacted]
[redacted] Chicago Heights, Illinois
for a 1971 Mercury Marquis. He has SSN [redacted]

CY 2045 is listed to [redacted]
same address, for a 1971 Buick Electra.

KE 1296 is listed to FRANK FRANZE,
1729 Cambridge Road, Flossmoor, Illinois
for a 1969 Chevrolet Stationwagon. He
has SSN 329-07-6386.

NS 9609 is listed to [redacted]
34th and Wentworth, Steger, Illinois
for a 1970 Oldsmobile. He has SSN [redacted]

TA 6696 is listed to [redacted]
same address, for a 1970 Chevrolet.

SE 8451 has joint ownership in the name of
FRANK LA PORTE and Co-Operative Music Company,
1728 Halsted Street, Chicago Heights, Illinois,
for a 1970 Oldsmobile.

SE 8088 is listed to [redacted]
[redacted] Crete, Illinois,
for a 1961 Pontiac

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SE 2695 is listed to [redacted]
[redacted] Chicago Heights, Illinois
for a 1965 Oldsmobile. He has SSN [redacted]
[redacted]

SE 1155 is listed to [redacted]
[redacted] Chicago Heights, Illinois
for a 1968 Chevrolet.

KE 4302 is listed to FRANK FRANZE, same address,
for a 1971 Chevrolet.

SE 259 is listed to [redacted]
[redacted] Crossmoor, Illinois
for a 1965 Buick. She has SSN [redacted]

Soc Sec Act
CT 2057 is listed to [redacted] and [redacted]
119 East 25th Street, Chicago Heights, Illinois
for a 1967 Pontiac. They have SSNs [redacted]
and [redacted]

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CP 348 is listed to [redacted]
[redacted] Chicago Heights, Illinois
for a 1963 Pontiac.

986 470 is listed to [redacted]
Chicago Heights, Illinois,
for a 1971 Mercury. He has SSN [redacted]

960 318 is listed to [redacted]
[redacted] Chicago Heights, Illinois.
for a 1971 Buick. He has SSN [redacted]

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REPORTING OFFICE CHICAGO	OFFICE OF ORIGIN CHICAGO	DATE 10/20/71	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 5/28 - 10/4/71
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REFERENCE: Report of SA J. CARLTON PARKER, JR. dated 6/10/71 at Chicago, Illinois.

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AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. Will continue investigation of subject and his associates to determine whether or not they are violating any Federal statutes.

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ADMINISTRATIVE

The investigative period of this report overlaps that of the previous report because the instant report contains results of investigation conducted by the St. Louis Office that had not been received when the referenced report was prepared.

On May 28, 1971, Clerk [redacted] obtained the following information from the National Personnel Records Center, St. Louis, Missouri.

[redacted] [redacted] [redacted] Air Force Service Number 16682574, served in the United States Air Force from December 6, 1960, to August 28, 1964, and he was released from the Air Force Reserve effective December 5, 1966. [redacted] is described as a white male, blonde hair, blue eyes, 5'8" tall, 150 pounds, single, born [redacted] at Minneapolis, Minnesota. He was not married and had completed his high school education. He served overseas in Japan and Pakistan. At the time, he entered on active duty, his home address was [redacted] Crete, Illinois.

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His education included attendance at St. Liborius Catholic School, Steger, Illinois, Steger Central School, Steger, Illinois, and Bloom Township High School, Chicago Heights, Illinois, where he graduated in June 1960.

[redacted] father is listed as [redacted] who was born [redacted] at Dupont, Indiana, and who also resided at [redacted] Crete, Illinois. His mother is listed as [redacted] who was born [redacted] at Minneapolis, Minnesota, and who resided at [redacted] Crete, Illinois.

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He has a sister, [redacted] who was born [redacted] at Wabash, Indiana, and a brother, [redacted] who was born July 29, 1959, at Chicago Heights, Illinois, and both of whom reside at Rural Route 1, Crete, Illinois.

[redacted] listed his references as [redacted] Steger, Illinois. [redacted] Steger, Illinois, [redacted] Crete, Illinois. [redacted] Crete, Illinois, and [redacted] Crete, Illinois.

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[redacted] listed as a previous address from February, 1942, to April, 1946, as Fremont and 36th Street, Minneapolis, Minnesota. He resided at [redacted] Crete, Illinois, from April, 1946, until he entered military service.

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On July 15, 1971, [redacted] advised that the subject had met with [redacted] at the Italian Village Restaurant, 71 West Monroe, Chicago, Illinois, in June, 1971.

The source said that he had learned that the subject believes that he has good control of activities in Chicago Heights, Illinois, because all of the City Commissioners are friendly towards him, and the new Chief of Police, HENRY PILOTTO, is the brother of hoodlum, ALFRED J. PILOTTO.

The source also advised that in June, 1971, the subject had lunch at Savoia's Restaurant in Chicago Heights, Illinois, without PILOTTO, HENRY PILOTTO and SAM DI GIOVANNI.

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Shortly after the lunch was completed, HENRY PILOTTO had left the restaurant and the others were joined by JAMES CATUARA and DOMONIC PALERMO. The source said that during this conversation, the subject is alleged to have stated that the outfit has very little criminal activities operating in the Chicago area, but that things are wide open in Lake County, Indiana, where gambling is flourishing.

In September, 1971, [] advised that in August, 1971, the subject and [] had traveled on the west coast together. They visited with the subject's sister in Calistoga, California, and while in California, the subject sold his interest in smelter in Bridgeport, California, and a tungston mine. The subject is reported to have received almost \$600,000 for the property and smelter. The source stated that while in California, the subject was also visited by the father of [] who operates an Italian sausage factory in Los Angeles. The older [] is a good friend of the subject's close associate, SAM DI GIOVANNI.

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Copy to: 1 - USA, Chicago
1 - Attorney In Charge, Chicago Field Office,
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Report of: SA J. CARLTON PARKER, JR. Office: Chicago
Date: October 20, 1971

Field Office File #: 92-920

Bureau File #: 92-5793

Title: FRANK LA PORTE

Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis: Additional information concerning [redacted]
[redacted] and his relatives set forth. The
subject has been observed with FRANK FRANZE and
SAM DI GIOVANNI at the Co-Operative Music
Company. Results of other observations of the
subject's residence set forth.

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DETAILS:

The following investigation was conducted
by Special Agent (SA) [redacted] at
Minneapolis, Minnesota:

On July 14, 1971, examination was made
of the current Minneapolis and suburban telephone
and city directories, and there was no reference
for anyone with the surname of [redacted]

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On July 14, 1971, [redacted]
[redacted] all
Fremont, [redacted] advised they had resided in the community subsequent
to 1950, and the name [redacted] and [redacted] are not
known to them, and they had no knowledge of the
identity of anyone residing at [redacted]
during the period 1942 through 1946.

On July 22, 1971, [redacted]
present occupant of 3577 North Fremont, Minneapolis,
stated he has resided in this area for the past
five years. He stated that [redacted] owner of
Fremont Realty, has been a life long resident of
the area and may have knowledge of the [redacted] or
[redacted] family.

[redacted] residence [redacted]
Emerson, Minneapolis, telephone number [redacted]
advised on July 22, 1971, that he recalls a family
by the name of [redacted] having resided at [redacted]
Fremont and that the family had left the area
and gone to Houston, Texas, many years ago. He
thought there were some boys in the family, and he
recalls there were two girls, one was a singer,
and it is his recollection that another daughter
ran away and joined the circus.

On July 23, 1971, [redacted] telephonically
advised that it was now his recollection that the
elder [redacted] had been employed by a railway. It
was also his recollection that he had purchased the
house at [redacted] from the [redacted] at the time
that they left Minneapolis and he has since resold
it.

On July 22, 1971, examination of the
birth records City Hall, Minneapolis, Minnesota,
reflected [redacted] was born February 22, 1942,

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to [redacted] and [redacted]
[redacted] The father's employment was listed
as Bernie Cummin's Bank. The mother's was
listed as a vocalist. The birth apparently occurred
at the family home, [redacted] and the
attending physician was Doctor [redacted]

There is no reference in the current city
or telephone directories for Minneapolis and
suburban area to a Doctor [redacted]

A review of the 1942 Minneapolis - St. Paul
directories reflect [redacted] as the owner
of the property at [redacted]
Minneapolis. The directory for that year shows
[redacted] wife [redacted] and his employment
as stockman for Beautician Supply Company.

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The same directory listed [redacted]
wife [redacted] as also residing at [redacted]
[redacted] did not appear in the next published
city directory in 1946.

On August 2, 1971, recontact was made
with [redacted] and at that time, he stated he was
unable to locate any records of the purchase by
him of the house at [redacted]
from the [redacted] family. He stated that it is still
his recollection that the family moved to Houston,
Texas, and he cannot recall the identity of any
sons of [redacted] who may still be residing in
the Minneapolis area.

On September 13, 1971, [redacted]
Principal, Patrick Henry High School, which school
would have been the one attended by anyone residing

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at [redacted] in Minneapolis, informed SA [redacted] that a review of the records of all students having attended this school reflect a [redacted] (no middle initial) [redacted] born on [redacted] father [redacted] address [redacted] had attended the school for two years, having been received from the Jordan Junior High School. There were no other students with the surname of [redacted] whose father was identified as [redacted] and who resided at [redacted] [redacted] having attended this school.

On September 13, 1971, inquiry was made of the alphabetical listing, Minnesota Driver's License Bureau and those records reflect a [redacted] [redacted] born [redacted] is currently holding a Minnesota Driver's License. [redacted] resides at [redacted] Minneapolis, Minnesota. He is described as white male, brown hair, blue eyes, 66" tall, 150 pounds. [redacted] applied for his license October 8, 1970. His employment was listed as United States Custom Built Homes, Incorporated, 10908 South Shore Drive.

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On September 14, 1971, [redacted] Chief Clerk, Jordan Junior High School, 29th and Irving, informed the only former student whose parents are reflected as [redacted] and who reside at [redacted] is the aforementioned [redacted] [redacted] born [redacted]

On June 16, 1971, at 11:00 a.m. and 2:25 p.m., the subject's dark green Buick Electra which has 1971 Illinois License SE 8451, was observed parked at the south side of Co-Operative Music Company, 1729 Halsted Street, Chicago, Heights, Illinois.

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On July 2, 1971, at 1:55 p.m., a dark green Mercury which has 1971 Illinois License 986470 was observed in the driveway of the residence of [redacted] Chicago Heights, Illinois. This license is listed to [redacted] for a 1971 Mercury.

At 1:50 p.m., no cars were observed at the residences of MARTIN PULCINI or DOLLY BARTUSIEWICZ. Parked in the driveway of FRANK FRANZE's residence was a Chevrolet Station Wagon which has 1971 Illinois License KE 1296. This license is listed to FRANK FRANZE, 1729 Cambridge Road, Flossmoor, Illinois.

On July 2, 1971, at 10:45 a.m., [redacted] green Mercury which has 1971 Illinois License CD 1468 was parked in the rear of the house at 1033 Halsted, Chicago Heights, Illinois.

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On August 23, 1971, at 9:40 a.m., the subject's green Buick was parked in the driveway of DOLLY BARTUSIEWICZ's residence which is across the street from the residence of FRANK FRANZE. In the driveway of FRANZE's residence was [redacted] Mercury and FRANZE's Chevrolet Station Wagon.

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On September 2, 1971, at 10:42 a.m., SAM DI GIOVANNI was observed driving a black Buick, 1971 Illinois license 564-560. He was traveling west on 16th Street at Campbell Avenue, in Chicago Heights, Illinois. DI GIOVANNI proceeded west on 16th Street, north on Ashland Avenue and Dixie Highway, west on Vollmer Road, and north on Cambridge Road, then into the driveway of the residence of DOLLY BARTUSIEWICZ. At 10:53 a.m. DI GIOVANNI entered the house of BARTUSIEWICZ. There were no other cars on the driveway of the BARTUSIEWICZ residence.

On 9/2/71 at Chicago Heights, Illinois File # 92-920

by SA J. CARLTON PARKER, JR. JCP/mek Date dictated 9/7/71

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The following observations were made on
September 28, 1971:

11:35 A.M. Parked at the south side of
Co-Operative Music (Co-Op),
1729 Halsted, Chicago Heights,
was a four-door green Buick
Electra, 1971 Illinois License
Number SE8451.

11:47 A.M. FRANK LAPORTE, FRANK FRANZE,
and a white male who had gray hair
and appeared to be about 55 years
old, came from Co-Op, entered the
Buick, and departed. LAPORTE was
driving and FRANZE was seated beside
LAPORTE and the other person was on
the rear seat. They departed
immediately, travelling west on
Hickory, north on Chicago Road,
west on Hickory, north on Euclid,
west on 16th Street, north on Division,
west on 15th Street. They parked
near the entrance to Savoia's Restaurant.
All three men entered the restaurant.

Interviewed on 9/28/71 at Chicago, Illinois File # CG 92-920
SA J. CARLTON PARKER, JR. /glk 9/29/71
by _____ Date dictated _____

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Date of transcription 10/15/71

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The following observations were made
on October 4, 1971:

10:15 a.m. Parked in the driveway of the
BARTUSIEWICZ residence on Cambridge
Road, Flossmoor, Illinois, was a
green Buick Electra, 1971 Illinois
License SE 8451. In the driveway
of the FRANZE residence on Cambridge
Road were a red Buick, 1971 Illinois
License SE 259 and a green compact
car, 1971 Illinois License KE 4302,
and in the garage of the FRANZE
residence was a green Chevrolet
Station Wagon.

10:30 a.m. A green Mercury, 1971 Illinois
License CD 1468 was parked at the
rear of the house at 1033 Halsted,
Chicago Heights, Illinois.

11:14 a.m. FRANK LA PORTE driving the above
mentioned Buick, arrived at Co-Operative
Music Record Shop (Co-Op), 1729
Halsted, Chicago Heights, Illinois, where
he parked the car on Hickory Street
and entered the door on the south
side of the building.

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by SA J. CARLTON PARKER, JR./kdd Date dictated 10/8/71

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11:30 a.m. SAM DI GIOVANNI's black Buick,
1971 Illinois License 564-650,
was parked beside LA PORTE's Buick.

11:58 a.m. DI GIOVANNI came from Co-Op, entered
his car, and departed, traveling
north on Halsted Street.

12:05 p.m. FRANK LA PORTE, FRANK FRANZE, and
three other white male adults came
from Co-Op. LA PORTE, FRANZE and
one of the other men entered
LA PORTE's car. With LA PORTE
driving, they traveled west on
Hickory Street.

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REFERENCE: Report of SA J. CARLTON PARKER, JR. dated 10/20/71 at Chicago.

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AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. Will continue investigation of subject and his associates to determine whether or not they are violating any federal statutes.

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The investigative period of this report overlaps that of the referenced report because this report contains information that was received from an auxiliary office which was not available when the referenced report was prepared.

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Report of: SA J. CARLTON PARKER, JR.
Date: 1/24/72

Office: CHICAGO

Field Office File #: 92-920

Bureau File #: 92-5793

Title: FRANK LA PORTE

Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis: Additional information concerning [redacted] set forth. Subject attended funeral services for his brother-in-law, JAMES ROSS. Obituary notice for ROSS set forth. Subject has been patient at St. James Hospital after he became ill at D'Amico Restaurant in Joliet. Subject has been observed at Co-Operative Music Company since his release from the hospital.

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DETAILS:

On August 26, 1971, [redacted] Corpus Christi, Texas, advised that [redacted] was her grandson. She indicated that she has not seen him for well over three years, and at that time he and his wife visited her for one week at her home in Corpus Christi. Mrs. BUCK, who indicated that she is eighty-one years old, advised that she was not acquainted with FRANK LA PORTE and strongly denied that he or any other individual has ever visited her.

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She indicated that the only other members of her family residing in this area is her daughter, [redacted] who operates Ira's Fishing Bait on Padre Island.

On September 29, 1971, [redacted] Padre Island, Texas, advised that he is not familiar with FRANK LA PORTE, nor does he have any information regarding his mother-in-law,

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[redacted] having received any unusual visitors during the past. He indicated that [redacted] is in bad health, which requires a great deal of personal attention by them. He stated that he was certain if she had received any visitors that he would be aware of them.

On September 30, 1971, contacts were made with the Holiday Inn Emerald Beach, Holiday Inn Shoreline, Ramada Inn and Sheraton Marina Inn all at Corpus Christi, Texas, in an effort to determine whether LA PORTE and or [redacted] had resided in this area during January and February, 1971. These efforts proved negative.

On October 18, 1971, [redacted] operator of a neighborhood grocery at 13th and Powderhorn, which is the closest neighborhood grocery to the address of 3111 13th Avenue South, advised photo of subject was not familiar to her.

The following investigation was conducted by SA [redacted] at St. Cloud, Minnesota:

Records of the St. Cloud Police Department, St. Cloud, Minnesota, checked on September 27, 1971, failed to reveal any record for [redacted] other than a complaint in March of 1968, in connection with a battery stolen from her vehicle. There is no identifying data on the file concerning [redacted]. At that time, she resided at [redacted]. St. Cloud City Directory lists her at that address and as being the widow of [redacted]. She is currently employed as a dietary aid at St. Cloud Hospital.

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Records of the Stearns County Sheriff's Office, St. Cloud, Minnesota, failed to reveal any record for [redacted]

Contact with [redacted] St. Cloud Credit Bureau, St. Cloud, Minnesota, failed to reveal any information concerning [redacted] that would identify her by her maiden name. Nothing on file to indicate what her maiden name was.

On October 27, 1971, [redacted] St. Cloud Hospital, advised from records that [redacted] maiden name was [redacted]

In October, 1971, CGTI advised that the funeral services for subject's brother-in-law, JAMES ROSS, were held in Chicago Heights, Illinois. The source stated that among

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persons he observed at the funeral services were the subject and [REDACTED] JIMMY "the Barber" CATUARA, DOMINICK "Tootsie" PALERMO, AL PILOTTO and SAM DI GIOVANNI. The October 24, 1971, edition of the Park Forest - Chicago Heights Star contained the following obituary notice:

"James V. Ross, 55, of 247 Bradley Drive, Chicago Heights, died Friday in St. James hospital after a lengthy illness. He was born June 5, 1916 in Chicago Heights and was a life-long resident of the area.

"A final mass will be held Tuesday at 10a.m. at the Infant Jesus of Prague church in Flossmoor with burial in Assumption cemetery.

"Friends may call after 7p.m. Sunday and from 2 to 10p.m. Monday at West End funeral home.

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"Mr. Ross was employed as a sales representative with the Co-operative Music company of Chicago Heights.

"Survivors include his wife, Rose; one daughter, Mrs. Frances Dunning of Chicago Heights; four sisters, Mrs. Carmelo Bruno, Mrs. Jennie De Rosa, Mrs. Agnes Cattando and Mrs. Mary Sanfratello, all of Chicago Heights; one brother, Philip of Chicago Heights, and two granddaughters."

On December 3, 1971, [REDACTED] Clerk, Joliet, Illinois Police Department, advised Special Agent (SA) GERALD E. DWYER that an ambulance of the Joliet Fire Department had struck an automobile belonging to [REDACTED] Joliet, Illinois, who is a white male born [REDACTED] car is a 1970 Cadillac, two door hardtop which has 1971 Illinois license KT 6. The driver of the ambulance reported that he had been enroute to D'Amico's Restaurant to pick up a patient who was identified as FRANK LA PORTE, a white male born October 8, 1901, residing at 1730 Cambridge, Flossmoor, Illinois, telephone number 548-9183. LA PORTE was transported to the Siler Cross Hospital where he was reported to be in critical condition.

In December, 1971, CGT2 advised that the subject was a patient at St. James Hospital, Chicago Heights, Illinois, for about five days. He stated the subject had been in the intensive care ward for only one day because he had a history of heart attacks, however, the subject appeared to be suffering more of

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alcoholism than from a heart condition. He stated that after one day the subject was transferred to a general care ward where he recovered sufficiently to be released from the hospital.

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2, 1971: The following observations were made on November

10:30 AM

Parked at the south side of Co-Operation Music (Co-Op) 1728 Halsted Street, Chicago Heights, Illinois, was [redacted] two-tone green Mercury, 1971 Illinois license CD 1468 and a white over green Cadillac, 1971 Illinois license SE 8071. This license is registered to [redacted]

[redacted] Chicago Heights, Illinois.

10:42 AM

FRANK LAPORTE, driving a green Buick Electra 1971 Illinois license SE8451, arrived at Co-Op. This license is issued to Co-Op Music, F. LAPORTE, 1728 Halsted, Chicago Heights, Illinois, for a 1971 Buick.

11:00 AM

FRANK LAPORTE and [redacted] departed from [redacted] Co-Op in the green Buick. [redacted] was driving the car and LAPORTE was seated beside him. They proceeded north on Halsted Street.

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by SA [redacted] /kal Date dictated 11/4/71

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On October 27, 1971, at 2:37 p.m. the subject's Buick which has 1971 Illinois License SE 8451 and a dark green Mercury, which has 1971 Illinois License 986 470, were parked at the residence of JAMES ROSS, 247 Bradley Drive, Chicago Heights, Illinois. At 3:15 p.m. cars bearing the following 1971 Illinois License were parked at Co-operative Music Company, 1728 Halsted Street, Chicago Heights, Illinois, GP 2057, which is listed to [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Chicago Heights, Illinois: SE 1155 which is listed to [REDACTED] Chicago Heights and CU 6309.

On November 16, 1971, the subject, who was driving a dark green Buick Electra which has 1971 Illinois License SK 8451, arrived at Co-operative Music Company at 10:52 a.m. He was alone in his car and entered the business through the South door.

On November 30, 1971, at 10:40 a.m. no cars were observed in the driveway of the subject's residence or the residence of DOLLY BARTUSIEWICZ. A two tone green Mercury, which has 1971 Illinois License CD 1468, which is listed to [REDACTED] Chicago Heights, was parked at the Co-operative Music Company.

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On December 3, 1971, at 11:06 a.m. a Buick Electra which has 1971 Illinois License 960 318 was parked at Co-operative Music Company. This license is listed to [REDACTED] Chicago Heights, Illinois.

At 11:08 a.m. a dark green Buick which has 1971 Illinois License CU 6309, arrived at Co-operative Music Company.

On January 3, 1972, at 11:33 a.m. the subject's green Buick was parked at the South side of Co-operative Music Company. At 12:10 p.m. the subject and two white males came from Co-operative Music Company and entered the subject's car. They departed immediately with the subject driving. At 12:40 p.m. the subject's car was in the lot of Cipriani Restaurant, 10th and Halsted Street, Chicago Heights, Illinois.



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
Chicago, Illinois

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No. CG 92-920

Title FRANK LA PORTE

Character ANTI-RACKETEERING

Reference Report of Special Agent J. Carlton
Parker, Jr. dated and captioned as
above

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities
are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable
information in the past.

(See Correlation Summary dated 10/20/64 filed as 92-5793-276.)

Date:

2/25/72

Date Searched: 6/9/71

This is a summary of information obtained from a review of all "see" references on the subject in Bureau files under the names and aliases listed on page 2. All references under these names containing data identical with the subject have been included except any indicated at the end of this summary under the heading REFERENCES NOT INCLUDED IN THIS SUMMARY. References indicated in the block as SI contain the same information as the foregoing serial although the information may have been received from a different source.

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ABBREVIATIONS

LCN.....La Cosa Nostra

RELATIVES WHO HAVE BUREAU MAIN FILES

The relationship, biographical data, and hoodlum activities of Frank La Porte were set forth in the main files on his relatives, as follows:

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Frank Franze	Brother-in-Law	92-7813-3 p.1-3	(10)

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		-3 p.1-4,6	(11)
		-10 p.2-4	(11)

CG 6343-C* advised that Joseph Zammuto (92-7747) and some associates went to the Croyden Hotel Restaurant in Chicago on 10/3/60 for a meeting relative to three Calumet City, Ill., hoodlums who had been in Rockford, Ill., to shoot one of Zammuto's men. They wished to meet with Frank La Porte inasmuch as he was in charge of Calumet City. They were told that arrangements would be made for them to meet with Al Pilotto because La Porte was out of town and Pilotto was his chief assistant.

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Alfred Pilotto, President of Local 5, International Hod Carriers, Building and Common Laborer's Union, Chicago Heights, testified* on 10/26/60 during the tax trial of Anthony J. Accardo, identified by Chicago news media as the former leader of organized crime in the Chicago area. Pilotto admitted that he was a partner in the Wilco Amusement and Tobacco Company, Joliet, Ill., and named Frank La Porte as one of his partners. (Chicago letter)

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* Probably Chicago

[redacted] Las Vegas, appeared before the Gaming Control Board, Carson City, Nevada, on 11/8/61 for the purpose of answering certain questions relating to his having been one of the bankers of a gambling casino run illegally in the Chicago area. The Gaming Control Board made reference to an article which appeared in the 9/25/61 issue of the "Chicago Daily Tribune" captioned "Crap Game Floats Into a Picnic Grove." It indicated that Drew and Frank La Porte were among the "members of the bank" of the "big game." [redacted] denied ever banking any game for anyone else. He admitted that he knew La Porte and the other alleged bankers, but stated that he never had any business relations with any of them. (Las Vegas Office)

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MM 818-C* advised on 5/16/62 that [redacted] operator of Jerry's Newsstand, and Carmine Tronolone had talked* to an unknown individual on the telephone regarding some trucks. It was believed that something had happened to some trucks in Perry, Fla., which were owned by someone in the Chicago area. During the conversation Tronolone mentioned the name Frankie La Porte.

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Correlator's note: Further review of this file revealed that Carmine Tronolone was the brother of John Tronolone (92-4175).

* Probably Miami Beach, Fla.

An unidentified source advised in October 1964 that [redacted] [redacted] who was associated with [redacted] (92-7288) in union organizing activities in Chicago, was known as one of Frank La Porte's boys.

92-7288-9 p.B
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The following references in the file captioned "Criminal Influence in Local 5, International Hod Carriers, Building and Common Laborers Union, Chicago Heights, Illinois" pertain to the activities of Frank La Porte from 12/15/59 to 12/9/64 in California and Illinois, in connection with this union. La Porte was reportedly closely associated with and met frequently with Alfred Pilotto, President of Local 5, and other Chicago hoodlums. He also owned the mineral rights to some property in Arizona with Pilotto. Pilotto's brother, "Art" Pilloto was described as a member of La Porte's gang. On one occasion La Porte, Pilotto, and other hoodlums reportedly traveled to a farm owned by La Porte in California. They supposedly left the Chicago area because of the FBI investigation into the illegal activities of La Porte and Pilotto.

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SEARCH SLIP PAGE NUMBER

92-5231-33 p.2,4-6
-34 p.B,1,3-5.

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The following references in the file captioned "Nevada Gambling Industry" pertain to the activities of Frank La Porte, alleged leader of organized criminal activity in the south suburban area of Chicago, in connection with this industry during the spring and summer of 1965. La Porte was reportedly involved in attempting to obtain a \$10,000.00 loan through the Teamsters Union for the Harrah's Club in Nevada. The loan was not acceptable to the owner and was rejected. He also reportedly appeared to be interested in purchasing the Tropicana and Golden Nugget Casinos in Nevada as well as trying to invest money in projects being built in the stateline area of California and Nevada. On one occasion he was a guest at Harvey's Wagon Wheel at Stateline on the Nevada side.

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SEARCH SLIP PAGE NUMBER

92-5449-165 p.1-4
-177 p.88

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This reference in the file captioned "Criminal Influence in Local 710, Highway Drivers, Dockmen and Helpers, Meat Drivers and Helpers Union, International Brotherhood of Teamsters, Chicago, Illinois"

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revealed that an anonymous call to the Chicago Assistant US Attorney's office on 10/14/65 indicated that Local 710 transferred \$100,000.00 from their regular banking account to an account at the Pullman Bank and Trust Company, Chicago. The reported purpose of the transfer was ostensibly for the purpose of diverting these funds to Frank La Porte, described by the caller as the top hoodlum in the Chicago Heights area.

92-5151-39 p.B,1,5
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[redacted] On 10/29/65 the Chicago Office advised that [redacted] (92-8662) was known to have operated various "strip joints in Calumet City" for the Frank La Porte organization and was reportedly the "front" for the hoodlum element in Calumet City, Ill.

On 11/3/65 the Pinellas County, Florida, Sheriff's Office furnished clippings from various Chicago newspapers concerning criminal activities in Calumet City. One of these clippings revealed that May was the licensee of the Follies Bergere and Club Southern and that Tony Franze, brother-in-law of La Porte, was the owner of the building which housed the Follies Bergere. The paper also indicated that [redacted] was associated with La Porte in the 21 Club while La Porte was the licensee of record from 1953 to 1955.

This serial indicated that [redacted] was a close associate and business partner of [redacted]

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92-8662-2 p.B,1,8
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On 10/26/65 and 11/16/65 [redacted] (9-36275) advised that she had been brought into [redacted] by Frankie La Porte, a well known hoodlum. She indicated that she was in possession of an address book which contained items of interest to the FBI in the fields of vice and gambling and that the book was obtained from a hoodlum serving a penitentiary sentence. [redacted] styled herself as a partner of La Porte and other hoodlums in Chicago, but was not specific with respect to her connections.

9-36275-65 p.1,5
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On 7/25/66 the Chicago Office advised that [redacted] was believed to be one of the sons of [redacted] known to that Division. It had previously been determined that [redacted] Chicago Heights, Ill., owned extensive amounts of real estate in Chicago Heights and was a long time associate of Frank La Porte, Chicago top hoodlum. (St. Louis report)

92-7564-22 p.6
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On 9/2/66 [redacted] former PCI, advised that subpoenas to be issued by the Illinois Crime Commission for Frank La Porte and other individuals were in connection with an investigation of the Mercantile National Bank of Chicago and several loans made by this institution which indicated possible hoodlum influence in regards to granting of loans. Loans far exceeding the value of the collateral were approved for the Valley Music Company of Aurora, Ill. which was recently sold to interests believed to represent La Porte and Francis Jerome Curry.

On 9/7/66 [redacted] Illinois Crime Commission (protect identity), advised that these subpoenas were to be issued for La Porte, head of the organized criminal element in the southeast area of Cook County; Curry, the alleged gambling lieutenant for La Porte in Will County; Frank Franze, brother-in-law of La Porte; and Ralph Emery, son of the former boss of Southern Cook County. Source did not know the purpose of the inquiry to be made by the Illinois Crime Commission.

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62-110122-231 ep.1,2
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The following references in the main files of the Confidential Informants listed below pertain to the activities of Frank La Porte, LCN hoodlum leader from Chicago, in connection with organized crime from 6/3/65 to 9/8/66. These informants furnished information regarding the travels, hoodlum activities, associates, contacts and interests of La Porte in California, Illinois and Indiana. Although La Porte reportedly controlled all gambling in East Chicago and Harbor, Indiana, there was no indication he actually traveled there. The majority of this information has been incorporated into La Porte's main file.

CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT

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[redacted]	[redacted] p.8	(-13-)
[redacted]	[redacted] p.3	(-13-)

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The following references in the file captioned "Top Hoodlum Program" pertain to the criminal activities of Frank La Porte in regard to gambling and vice in California, Illinois, Indiana and Nevada from approximately 1955 to 10/11/67. La Porte, one of the major hoodlums in the Chicago area, was reportedly the undisputed leader of organized crime in southern Cook County and northern Indiana. He was ordered to appear for a Grand Jury inquiry into a trucking company for which he arranged a loan. Background data, associates, and contacts with known LCN members set out.

REFERENCE	SEARCH SLIP PAGE NUMBER
62-9-9-1530 p.1B, 1F, 96, 235, 273, 281, 324-326, 349-351, 353, 354, 359, 390	(2, 14, 19)
-1616 p.1E, 26, 27, 29, 138, 205, 206	(2, 19)
-1652 ep.12-14, 91, 116, 136, 137	(2, 19)
-1655 ep.48	(2)
-1657 p.4	(2)
-1841 p.3	(2)
-1915 p.1D, 10, 101, 123, 161, 175, 194, 243-245, 268, 320	(2, 19)
62-9-21-371 p.11	(3)
-377 p.2	(3)
62-9-26-622 p.137	(3)
-701 p.3	(3)
62-9-30-600 p.7	(3)
62-9-46-293 p.2	(3)
-381 p.1	(3)
62-9-47-482 p.4, 5	(3)
-494 p.1	(3)
-496 p.5	(3)
-500 p.4	(3)
-503 p.4	(3)
-505 p.2-5	(4)

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62-9-47-508 p.2
-509 p.1,3
-510 p.2
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-535 p.2,4
-538 p.3
62-9-65-686 p.5

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[] advised that John Li Mandri was associating with Tony Collura, who operated a certified public accountant office in San Diego, and that Collura had contacts among the hoodlum element, including LCN Capo in Chicago, Frank La Porte. (San Diego report, 2/27/68)

This serial indicated that Li Mandri was an attorney who ran an insurance and investment office in San Diego, and was an associate of Joseph Ernesto Matranga (92-3202).

92-3202-68 p.15
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[] advised that [] was in the Los Angeles area during the fall of 1968 and the spring of 1969 and ran errands for Frank Bompensiero, San Diego LCN figure. While in that area, [] alleged cousin of [] personal friend of Bompensiero, came into personal contact with other Bompensiero associates. On one occasion, he allegedly sat in on a meeting that Frank La Porte of Chicago had with Bompensiero in the San Diego area.

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[] advised that during the above time period [] went to the San Diego area and slept in the back of [] barber shop in La Jolla. While he was around the barber shop, he met Leo Mocerri, a Cleveland LCN hoodlum, and La Porte from Chicago. [] appeared eager to join these individuals and expressed a desire to be "a big time gangster". These hoodlums frequently led [] on with stories and indications of their hoodlum activities.

This serial indicated that [] worked for [] (165-1676) in the Los Angeles area during the fall of 1968 and the spring of 1969 as a "sitter" at Sonny's Sports Service.

165-1676-26 p.F,H
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The following references in the file captioned "Joseph Lawrence Alioto" pertain to a libel suit filed against "Look" magazine for its 9/23/69 article linking Alioto with the Mafia. The article reported that Frank La Porte and other alleged Mafia leaders met with San Francisco Mayor Alioto at the Nut Tree Restaurant near Vacaville, Calif., in 1964 to discuss organization of a bank. It was reported that La Porte was to be questioned by attorneys for "Look" magazine on 4/16/70 regarding this alleged meeting. He was expected to invoke the Fifth Amendment.

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SEARCH SLIP PAGE NUMBER

92-10492-27 ep.2	(12)
-72 ep.4	(12)
-74 ep.2,3	(12)

The following references in the main files on the individuals listed below pertain to the LCN and hoodlum associations and activities of these individuals and Frank La Porte, LCN leader in Chicago, from the early 1940s to 5/14/70 in California, Illinois, Nevada and Mexico. Also set forth was information regarding La Porte's associations and contacts with other members of the Chicago criminal element.

NAME	REFERENCE	SEARCH SLIP PAGE NUMBER	
Anthony Joseph Accardo	92-3087-207 p.5	(5)	
	-231 p.3	(5)	
<div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 150px; height: 25px; display: inline-block;"></div>	92-7802-7 p.1,5	(10)	
	-9 p.C,D,E	(10)	
Gus Alex	92-3182-1168 p.7	(6)	
<div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 200px; height: 25px; display: inline-block;"></div>	92-8423-2 p.K,1,12,13,15	(11)	b6 b7C
Phillip Bacino	92-8850-1 p.3-5,7	(11)	
Frank Bompensiero	92-3163-21 p.7	(5)	
	-27 p.1-3	(6,23)	
	-29 p.C,E,G-N,1,10,14,21-29	(6,23)	
	-32 p.B-D,F,H-J,M,R,S-V,Z,I,3,4,11,13-16,19,21-24,26,30	(6)	

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NAME	REFERENCE	SEARCH SLIP PAGE NUMBER
	92-3163-34 ep.2	(6)
	-37 p.C,D,F-J,O,S,DD- FF,1,2,7,8,31	(6)
	-40 p.C,E,N,P-R,Z,GG- II,LL-OO,QQ-VV,XX, ZZ,CCC,LLL,TTT,AAAA, 1,3,15,33,48,49,61, 79,88,	(6,22,23)
	-42 p.C,I,L,O,U-X,Z,Bb,Oo, Pp,1,2,7,9,10,22,23, 37,38,47,50-53,56, 57,65	(6)
	92-9516-3 p.12	(12)
James Catuara	92-6931-5 p.5	(9)
	-7 p.1,4,5	(9)
	-15 p.1,2,5,6	(9)
Francis Jerome Curry	92-1369-6 p.4,5	(5)
	-8 p.1-3	(5)
	-15 p.B	(5)
	-25 p.B,1,5,6	(5)
Ralph Emery	92-9201-1 p.3-6	(12)
	92-3899-41 p.B,D,H,J,8,33,34	(7)
	-43 p.D,E,H,1,6,10-12,14	(7)
	-92 p.I-L,N,O,W,2-5	(7)
	-97 p.G,H,N,W,Aa,2,13,14, 19,20	(7)
	-98 p.F,G,I,J,L,N,O,W,Z,6	(7)
	-99 p.J,K,8,9	(7)
	-102 p.D,H,7	(7)
Leonard Robert Gianola	92-9188-1 p.16,17	(12)
	-4 p.1,9	(12)
Joseph Guzzino	92-8967-3 p.2	(11)
	-4 p.1-3,5	(11)

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[REDACTED]	92-5505-272 p.1,6	(8)
[REDACTED]	92-7042-8 p.A,B	(9)
Hyman Oscar Lerner	92-9799-1 p.7,10,12	(12)
[REDACTED]	92-9032-1 p.1b,20,21	(14)
Ralph Pierce	92-3207-321 p.2,8-10 -336 p.5,7,9,10	(6) (7)
Alfred J. Pilotto	92-7815-2 p.1-8 -11 p.4,6 -19 p.1,2	(10) (10) (10)
John Roselli	92-3267-1030 p.1,10	(7)
George C. Tuffanelli	92-10129-2 p.1,5,9,10	(12)
[REDACTED]	92-7816-2 p.3,4,6	(11)

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The following references in the file captioned "La Cosa Nostra" pertain to the activities of Frank La Porte as LCN Capo of Chicago from approximately 8/21/64 to 1/26/71 in California, Illinois and Nevada. La Porte's hoodlum and LCN activities, associates and interests set forth. La Porte was subpoenaed to appear before Federal Grand Juries in San Diego in connection with his hoodlum activities. As of November 1969, he was reportedly drinking heavily and was almost completely inactive in the LCN. He did continue to meet with the Chicago LCN bosses once or twice a month.

REFERENCE	SEARCH SLIP PAGE NUMBER
92-6054-740 p.97,112	(8)
-1949 p.2;ep.2	(8)
-2074 p.5,6	(8)
-2322 p.9,12,15 (subpoenaed to appear in San Diego, 5/28/68)	(8)
-2427 p.11,12	(8)
-2456 p.19,45,156,225A,285,360	(8)

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SEARCH SLIP PAGE NUMBER

92-6054-2540 p.12
-2794 p.6,13-15
-2985 p.15,16
-2989 p.9,11

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Files of the Chicago Division revealed that [redacted]
was possibly identical to a [redacted]
[redacted] and a possible associate of Frank La Porte.
(Milwaukee report, 3/16/71)

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This serial indicated that [redacted] (92-11402)
had been in contact by telephone with a [redacted] in Chicago.

92-11402-8 p.1,13
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REFERENCES NOT INCLUDED IN THIS SUMMARY

The following references on Frank La Porte and Frankie La Porte located in files maintained in the Special File Room of the Records Branch, Files and Communications Division, were not reviewed, and it is not known whether they are identical with the subject of this summary.

REFERENCE

SEARCH SLIP PAGE NUMBER

62-9-9-1606
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92-3086-334

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92-4551-88

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92-5133-12

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The following reference on Frank La Porte contains information of an administrative nature and has not been included.

REFERENCE

SEARCH SLIP PAGE NUMBER

66-2542-11-46-66 p.2-4

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See the search slip filed behind file for other references on this subject which contain the same information (SI) that is set out in the main file. Although the information is the same, it may have been received from different sources.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE CHICAGO	OFFICE OF ORIGIN CHICAGO	DATE 4/27/72	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 2/9 - 4/12/72
TITLE OF CASE FRANK LA PORTE		REPORT MADE BY SA J. CARLTON PARKER, JR.	TYPED BY SMO
		CHARACTER OF CASE AR	

REFERENCE: Report of SA J. CARLTON PARKER, JR., at Chicago, 1/24/72.

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AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. Will continue investigation of subject and his associates to determine whether or not they are violating any Federal Statutes.

INFORMANTS

CG T-1 is [redacted]

CG T-2 is [redacted]
[redacted] on 3/14/72.

contacted by SA [redacted]

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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Copy to: 1 - United States Attorney
1 - Attorney in Charge
Chicago Field Office
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Report of: SA J. CARLTON PARKER, JR.
Date: April 27, 1972

Office: Chicago, Illinois

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Field Office File #: CG 92-920

Bureau File #: 92-5793

Title: FRANK LA PORTE

Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis: Subject observed a Cooperative Music Company and Cipriani's Restaurant, Chicago Heights. Results of observation of residences of subject and his sisters set forth. 1972 registrations of cars observed at places frequented by subject set forth. Subject is reported to have met with Chicago Heights mayor, police commissioner and chief of police at Ada's Restaurant.

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DETAILS:

On February 9, 1972, at 10:41 a.m., the subject arrived at the Cooperative Music Company, 1728 Halsted Street, Chicago Heights, Illinois, in a two-door green Buick Electra which had 1971 Illinois license SE8451.

On February 17, 1972, at 10:50 a.m., a blue compact automobile, which had 1972 Illinois license 83-797 was parked in the driveway of the residence of MARTIN PULCINI at 1741 Cambridge Road, Flossmoor, Ill. Parked at the residence of FRANK FRANZE were a blue Nova, which had 1972 Illinois license PL5876 and a green Chevrolet station wagon, which had 1972 Illinois license PK5705. FRANZE's residence is next door to the PULCINI residence. Parked in the driveway of the residence of

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DOLLY BARTUSIEWICZ, which is across the street from FRANK FRANZE was a two-door green Buick Electra which had 1972 Illinois license PK 9744.

At 11:40 a.m., this car was observed parked at the Cooperative Music Company. Also at the Cooperative Music Company was a brown and tan Buick, which had 1972 Illinois license NP9912.

On February 24, 1972, at 2:48 p.m., cars bearing the following 1972 Illinois licenses were parked at the Cooperative Music Company:

NP5592
NP9672
NP9912

On March 6, 1972, at 1:10 p.m., the subject was observed having lunch in Cipriani's Restaurant, 10th and Halsted Streets, Chicago Heights, Illinois. The subject was called to the telephone while he was having lunch and engaged in a conversation for five minutes. The subject was sitting at a table with a white male who had wavy gray hair and appeared to be about 50 years of age.

On March 27, 1972, at 3:10 p.m., a dark green Buick, which had 1972 Illinois license PK9744 was parked at the Cooperative Music Company. At 3:12 p.m., a gray Buick, which had 1972 Illinois license BS2817, arrived at the Cooperative Music Company. At 3:15 p.m., the subject came from the Cooperative Music Company and entered the green Buick and departed.

On April 14, 1972, at 1:05 p.m., a black-over-gray Oldsmobile, which had 1972 Illinois license PK9743 was parked in the driveway of the residence at 319 Warren Street, Calumet City, Illinois.

On April 12, 1972, at 11:10 a.m., the following cars were parked at the Cooperative Music Company: the above-mentioned green Buick, a bronze Toronado which had 1972 Illinois license 437 062 and a black Buick which had 1972 Illinois license 545 832. At 12:10 p.m., this Buick was parked at the residence of SAM D'GIOVANNI, 1522 Edgewood Drive, Chicago Heights, Illinois.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 3/9/72

The following observations were made on March 1, 1972:

9:57 a.m.

Parked in the drive of MARTIN PULCINI's residence on Cambridge Avenue, Flossmoor, Illinois, was a light blue Volkswagen Straightback, 1972 Illinois license NP 9914. At the BARTUSIEWICZ residence, a green Buick, 1972 Illinois license PK 9744 was in the driveway and a red Buick, 1972 Illinois license NP 6747 was in the garage.

10:59 a.m.

FRANK LA PORTE, who was driving above mentioned green Buick, arrived at Co-Operative Music Company (Co-Op), Hickory and Halsted Streets, Chicago Heights. He was greeted by a white male adult who shook hands with LA PORTE. They entered Co-Op together. The man had black hair and appeared to be about 35 years old, 5'8" tall, 150 pounds. He had been waiting for LA PORTE in a golden colored Oldsmobile 98, 1972 Illinois license NP 7328.

11:04 a.m.

The above described man returned to the Oldsmobile and departed traveling north on Halsted Street.

Interviewed on 3/1/72 at Chicago Heights, Illinois File # CG 92-920

by SAs J. CARLTON PARKER, JR. and
PAUL J. NEUMANN JCP:kdk Date dictated 3/6/72

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1Date of transcription March 6, 1972

The following observations were made on
March 2, 1972:

1:15 P. M.

A green Mercury Marquis, 1972
Illinois license PL 5959 was parked
in front of the 708 Club, State Line
Road, Calumet City. On the rear window
of the car was a McAllister College
sticker.

1:22 P. M.

[] came from the 708 Club,
carrying a large machine part which
he placed in the above described car.
He then returned to the 708 Club with
a small black satchel.

1:30 P. M.

[] returned to his car and drove
to Elmer's Beachcomber Lounge, Memorial
Drive and State Line Road, Calumet City,
Illinois.

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1:42 P. M.

[] came from Elmer's Beachcomber,
entered his car and drove to the
Interlude Lounge.

1:45 P. M.

[] car was parked in the lot
of Chateau Lounge and Restaurant, 614
State Line Road.

2:13 P. M.

[] came from the Chateau, entered
the car and departed, travelling south
on State Line Road.

Interviewed on 3/2/72 at Calumet City, Illinois File # CG 92-3376
CG 92-920

by SA PAUL J. NEUMANN
SA J. CARLTON PARKER, JR. / vel Date dictated 3/6/72

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Date 3/17/721

The following observations were made on
March 9, 1972:

11:32 a.m.

Parked on Hickory Street at the
Co-Operative Music Store, 1729
Halsted Street, Chicago Heights
were a black Buick, 1972 Illinois
license 545-832 and a green Buick,
1972 Illinois license PK9744.

11:59 a.m.

SAM DI GIOVANNI came from the side
door of Co-Operative Music,
entered the black Buick and de-
parted. He was wearing a black
hat and top coat.

On 3/9/72 at Chicago Heights, Ill. File # CG 92-920 CG 92-1729
by SAs J. CARLTON PARKER, JR. and
PAUL J. NEUMANN/JCP/pmf Date dictated 3/13/72

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Date 4/3/721.

The following observations were made on March 23, 1972:

10:38 am Parked in the driveway at 350 Arquilla Drive, Chicago Heights, was a blue, two door Mercury, 1972 Illinois license PL 1241.

11:24 am Parked on Hickory Street beside the Co-Operative Music Company was FRANK LA PORTE's green Buick which has 1972 Illinois license PK 9744.

11:35 am Parked at Co-Operative Music Company were LA PORTE's Buick, a green Cadillac, 1972 Illinois license 438-248, and SAM D'GIOVANNI's black Buick which has 1972 Illinois license 545-832.

12:05pm All of the above mentioned cars had departed from Co-Operative Music.

On 3/23/72 at Chicago Heights, Illinois File # CG 92-920
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by SA J. CARLTON PARKER, JR./smg Date dictated 3/28/72

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In February, 1972, CG T-1 advised that the subject had been discharged from St. James Hospital, Chicago Heights, but was still recovering from pneumonia.

In March, 1972, CG T-1 advised that he had learned that plans were being considered to reduce the subject from his place of command in the Chicago Heights area and to replace him with AL PILOTTO.

On March, 1972, CG T-2 advised that he had observed the subject having dinner at Ada's Restaurant, 525 Dixie Highway, Chicago Heights, Illinois, where he met with GEORGE BIRICK, Mayor of Chicago Heights, NICK PAGORIA, Police Commissioner of Chicago Heights and HENRY PILOTTO, Chief of Police of Chicago Heights and brother of AL PILOTTO.

A review of Illinois Passenger Motor Vehicle Registrations for 1972 revealed the following:

830 797 is listed to [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Carey, Illinois

437 062 is listed to ANTHONY FRANZE,
480 West 16th Street, Chicago Heights

545 832 is listed to SAM DI GIOVANNI,
1552 Edgewood, Chicago Heights

NP 6747 is listed to [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Flossmoor

PK 9744 is listed to Co-op Music/F. LAPORTE,
1720 Halsted, Chicago Heights, Illinois

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
Chicago, Illinois

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No. CG 92-920

Title FRANK LA PORTE

Character ANTI-RACKETEERING

Reference is made to report of Special Agent
J. CARLTON PARKER, Jr., dated and
captioned as above.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities
are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable
information in the past.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE CHICAGO	OFFICE OF ORIGIN CHICAGO	DATE AUG 2 1972	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 5/3/72 - 7/17/72
TITLE OF CASE FRANK LA PORTE		REPORT MADE BY SA RICHARD BARRY SMITH	TYPED BY dlf
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REFERENCES: Chicago report of SA J. CARLTON PARKER, JR., dated 4/27/72.
San Diego letter to Bureau dated 5/19/72, captioned "La Cosa Nostra (LCN), AR - Conspiracy

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AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. Will continue the investigation of subject and his associates to determine whether any federal statutes are being violated.

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INFORMANTS

CG T-1 is [] CG T-2 is [] Plainfield Auto Sales, Plainfield, Illinois, who requested his identity be protected.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

Referenced San Diego letter advised as follows:

Informant advised that Chicago LCN Capo FRANK LA PORTE, would arrive in San Diego on May 5, 1972. LA PORTE checked into the Travelodge Hotel on Harbor Island on May 5, 1972, using room 427. He was accompanied by [] Superintendent of Public Works, Chicago Heights, Illinois. [] occupied room 427. LA PORTE told informant that [] was an old friend of his and was on vacation. LA PORTE brought [] to California to visit his sister. He intended to visit his mining property at Bridgeport, California, and spend a couple of days vacationing at the hot mineral springs in Calistoga Springs, California. He had to be back in Chicago by May 18-19, 1972.

Informant advised that on the night of May 5, 1972, LA PORTE became ill with severe stomach pains and was hospitalized on May 5-7, 1972. Upon being released from the hospital on May 7, 1972, LA PORTE was anxious to set up a meeting in San Diego with HYMAN GODFREY (True name HYMAN GOTTFRIED). LA PORTE told informant that GODFREY was connected with the "outfit" in Chicago for the past 45 years, and that GODFREY was a trusted messenger who delivered important messages and packages

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for the top hoodlum element in Chicago. That he was frequently used in the past by TONY ACCARDO and PAUL RICCA and was a close associate of GUS ALEX, one of the leading Chicago hoodlums. LA PORTE told informant that GODFREY recently left Chicago and is now living in the Rancho Bernardo area of San Diego. LA PORTE was anxious to talk with GODFREY and it was apparent to the informant that LA PORTE's main reason for coming to San Diego was to meet GODFREY.

Later on May 8, 1972, after LA PORTE and GODFREY had a private talk, informant accompanied them to lunch. GODFREY told them he sold his home in Chicago and has moved permanently to the San Diego area. He indicated that he still has an insurance business in Chicago and was against the sale. His partner felt that if GODFREY sold out his share in the insurance company, the hoodlum element in Chicago would move in on his partner.

GODFREY was using a car, light blue 1967 Buick, California license VAW 909, registered to RUBEN SEEBURG, 2109 Fairfield Street, San Diego, California. Informant advised that SEEBURG is a retired Navy Commander who is now running the Admiral Kid Club in San Diego. This is a Navy Club. GODFREY told them that through SEEBURG, he hoped to obtain management of a sports boat marina being built at the Admiral Kid Club, but did not know if he would be allowed to do this in view of his background. GODFREY also talked about investing in a bowling alley in Poway, California, on the outskirts of San Diego. GODFREY furnished his current telephone number in San Diego as 487-4872.

Informant advised that for lunch they went to the Valley Shadows Restaurant near the Mexican border and the owner is apparently an old friend of GODFREY's.

Informant advised that LA PORTE told him the Chicago "outfit" is still being run by TONY ACCARDO and PAUL RICCA. That LA PORTE had lunch with ACCARDO and RICCA on May 3, 1972, before leaving Chicago, and that ACCARDO had recently returned to Chicago from Palm Springs, California, where he spent the winter. ACCARDO planned to leave around June 1, 1972, for Bimini in the Bahamas for tuna fishing.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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Report of: SA RICHARD BARRY SMITH

Office: CHICAGO

Date:

AUG 2 1972

Field Office File #: 92-920

Bureau File #: 92-5793

Title:

FRANK LA PORTE

Character:

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Synopsis:

Subject, a member of La Cosa Nostra, reportedly owns interest in Chesterfield Lounge, Calumet City, Illinois, where vice and prostitutional activities are prevalent. Observations concerning vice activities set forth. Subject went to California in May, 1972, with PAUL PALCEK Superintendent of Public Works, Chicago Heights, Illinois. PALCEK interviewed and admitted knowing subject, but denied any illegal activities. PALCEK subsequently observed with subject. Subject observed with an individual driving a car registered to [REDACTED] a collector for the Illinois Department of Revenue. Subject reportedly moving location of the Cooperative Music Store to 2009 Western Avenue, Chicago Heights, Illinois. Other observations of subject's activities set forth.

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DETAILS:

CG T-1 has on several occasions described FRANK LA PORTE as a leader in the Chicago "family" of La Cosa Nostra (LCN). Other sources have in the past similarly described LA PORTE and have advised he controls all organized crime in Southern Cook County.

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Records of the Illinois Secretary of States
Office reflect the following registrations of 1972
Illinois licenses referred to in this report.
Lien and title information on these cars was unavailable:

PL 5959

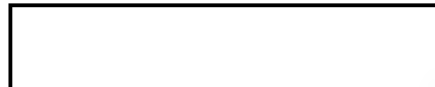


Chicago Heights, Illinois
1971 Mercury

PK 9744

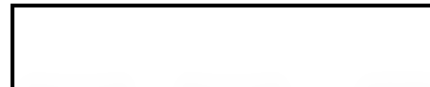
Cooperative Music Store
1728 Halsted
Chicago Heights, Illinois
for a 1971 Buick

127-924



Calumet Park, Illinois
for a 1970 Ford

VT 7065

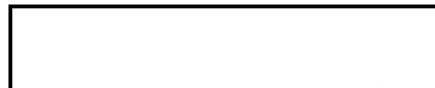


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for a 1971 Ford

NP 9912

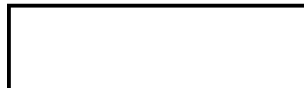
MARTIN PULCINI
1741 Cambridge
Elossmoor, Illinois
for a 1971 Buick

NP 9679



Chicago Heights, Illinois
for a 1967 Pontiac

545 832



Chicago Heights, Illinois
for a 1967 Buick

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On June 16, 1972, Chief CASMIER LINKOWICZ, Calumet City Illinois Police Department, advised that FRANK LA PORTE reportedly has an interest in the Chesterfield Club, 124 State Street, Calumet City, Illinois, and in other lounges and taverns in the area. Chief LINKOWICZ however, was unable to furnish any evidence to support this indicating that this was mostly rumor in the community.

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From 8:00 - 9:01 PM, observations at the Chesterfield Lounge, 124 State Street, Calumet City, Illinois, determined that this tavern features "go-go" dancing as entertainment. Approximately 6 young females were observed, two of which remained behind the bar and four of which sat at the bar, while not dancing. An elderly white male, grey hair, 5'10" tall, 185 pounds, was also observed behind the bar. At 8:00 PM there were three white male customers in the bar all of whom sat at the bar with girls. At 8:16 PM two other men entered and sat at a table. No solicitation of drinks was observed and none of the girls were observed making propositions for prostitution. All drinks in the bar were \$1.00 each. All dancers remained in dancing costumes while on stage.

From 9:01 PM to 10:01 PM observations were made at the Shay Club, 9 State Street, Calumet City, Illinois. There were nine young girls in the bar and two older women tending bar. A white male, age about 30, thin, dark hair, was observing the street and the customers. Conditions were the same as described above in the Chesterfield Lounge with regard to solicitation of drinks and for prostitution, as well as dancing. There were about six male customers, three of which were with girls.

Observations of juke boxes and vending machines were made in the above taverns. The juke boxes appeared to have Illinois tax stamps. The vending distribution label could not be observed due to poor lighting.

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by SAs [redacted] and RICHARD BARRY SMITH/BJD Date dictated 6/9/72

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The following observations were made in Calumet City, Illinois by SA RICHARD BARRY SMITH on June 13, 1972:

9:30 a.m. Observation at Chesterfield Lounge and 708 Club, Calumet City, Illinois begun.

11:30 a.m. A green Mercury bearing 1972 Illinois license PL 5959 was observed parked across the street from the 708 Club, 708 State Line Road, Calumet City, Illinois.

12:01 p.m. The above car was observed parked in front of the Chesterfield Lounge, 124 State Street, Calumet City, Illinois.

12:09 p.m. The above car was no longer observed at the Chesterfield Lounge.

Interviewed on 6/16/72 at Calumet City, Illinois File #

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by SA RICHARD BARRY SMITH

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Date dictated 6/20/72

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CG T-1 advised in June, 1972, he heard that FRANK LA PORTE supposedly went to California during May, 1972, with PAUL PALCEK, Superintendent Public Works, Chicago Heights, Illinois.

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Date of transcription 7/17/72

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On July 12, 1972, PAUL PALCEK, supervisor, Chicago Heights Public Works, Chicago Heights, Illinois, resident of 311 East 23rd Street, Chicago Heights, Illinois, telephone SK 7-6057, was interviewed and he advised as follows:

PALCEK has worked for the Chicago Heights Department of Public Works for approximately 7 years. He is married and has children. His parents are Czechoslovakian and immigrated to this country several years ago. They had 10 children, some of whom are now deceased. PALCEK's wife is Italian.

PALCEK's office in the Public Works Building is located at 55 East Hickory Street, Chicago Heights, Illinois. It is directly around the corner from the Cooperative Music Company, owned by FRANK LAPORTE.

PALCEK grew up with FRANK LAPORTE. PALCEK lived on 23rd Street and LAPORTE lived on 22nd Street in Chicago Heights. Although LAPORTE is older than PALCEK they have associated somewhat over the years.

PALCEK has heard rumors that LAPORTE is mixed up in the rackets or Organized Crime, but he cannot state as a fact that this is true to his knowledge. PALCEK is "clean" and has nothing to do with Organized Crime and so he was unable to make a positive statement regarding any connection LAPORTE might have. Although several years ago PALCEK served a short sentence in Leavenworth, he has since gone straight and has never been involved in anything illegal. His job consists merely of supervision of men and has nothing to do with letting contracts for the City of Chicago Heights. He said he would have no knowledge of illegality in the letting of contracts for the city.

Interviewed on 7/12/72 at Chicago Heights, Ill. File # CG 92-920

CG 92-1733

by SA RICHARD BARRY SMITH RBS/njs Date dictated 7/14/72

LAPORTE has been with the Cooperative Music Store for years and ever since PALCEK has been with the Department of Public Works, LAPORTE, because of their past association, has come to PALCEK's office on occasion to ask him to lunch. This has happened several times over the years. They usually go to the various Italian restaurants in the Chicago Heights area where most of the city's important businessmen, politicians and officials eat. Some of the restaurants they patronize are Cipriani's, Savoia's, The Tivoli and The Alcazar, all in the Chicago Heights area. At no time has PALCEK observed or heard of anyone conversing with LAPORTE about illegal matters.

When they are at lunch, LAPORTE and PALCEK discuss unimportant matters such as national politics, mutual friends and family. LAPORTE has never attempted to compromise PALCEK or attempted to get him to do anything illegal.

Recently, about a month or so ago LAPORTE approached PALCEK about going with him on vacation to California. PALCEK does not know who LAPORTE saw in California. He did not wish to discuss this matter since he had no knowledge of any illegal activities of LAPORTE in California, and that he and LAPORTE were apart most of the time.

PALCEK is also acquainted with AL PILOTTO, head of Local 5 of the Hod Carriers Union in Chicago Heights, and AL's brother, HANK PILOTTO, Chief of Police of Chicago Heights. He had no knowledge of any illegal activities being carried on by either of these men and feels both are doing a good job in their respective employments. PALCEK is also acquainted with Mayor BONICK of Chicago Heights and feels he is trying to do a good job in his administration of the city.

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PALCEK stated that he had nothing further to add at this time as he has done nothing wrong and knows nothing about illegal activities of the men he has mentioned.

The following description of PALCEK was obtained by observation:

Age	55 - 60
Height	5' 8"
Weight	150
Build	Slender
Hair	Grey
Eyes	Blue
Characteristics	Wears contact lenses

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7/14/72

Date _____

12:31 pm FRANK LAPORTE was observed sitting at a table in the front of Cipriani's Restaurant, Halsted Street, Chicago Heights, Illinois.

12:33 pm PAUL PALCEK was observed entering Cipriani's Restaurant and taking a seat at LAPORTE's table.

12:34 pm -
1:03 pm PALCEK and LAPORTE continued to sit at the same table and were observed talking.

1:04 pm Special Agent RICHARD BARRY SMITH while paying the cashier overheard PALCEK telling LAPORTE that "...he asked all kinds of questions about me...contracts...he even asked where I lived...that (obscene) guy... they know where I live..." Missing portions of the conversation were inaudible.

1:45 pm A green Buick bearing 1972 Illinois license PK 9744 was observed parked on the North side of Cipriani's Restaurant.

On 7/13/72 at Chicago Heights, Illinois File # CG 92-920

by SA RICHARD BARRY SMITH and
SA RAYMOND F. BARR RRS:kas Date dictated 7/14/72

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Date of transcription June 21, 197212:59 P.M.

A green Buick, bearing 1972 Illinois license PK 9744, was observed at Cipriani's Restaurant, Halsted Street, Chicago, Illinois.

1:18 P.M.

FRANK LA PORTE and MARTIN PULCINI departed Cipriani's with a white male, age 65 to 70, white hair, medium to heavy build, wearing sunglasses, and all three stood by the above car talking.

1:19 P.M.

The white male handed LA PORTE something which LA PORTE placed in a briefcase.

1:20 P.M.

LA PORTE and PULCINI were observed driving south on Halsted Street.

1:21 P.M.

The white male entered a Ford bearing 1972 Illinois license 127-924.

1:25 P.M.

LA PORTE and PULCINI were observed parking the above-described Buick at the Co-op Music Store, 1728 Halsted Street, Chicago, Illinois.

1:26 P.M.

LA PORTE and PULCINI were observed standing on the corner near the Co-op Music Store.

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by SA RICHARD BARRY SMITH/dcp

Date dictated June 21, 1972

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1:31 P.M.

The above Buick was gone from the Co-op Music Store and PULCINI was observed still standing on the corner.

1:46 P.M.

No cars were observed at 1730 Cambridge Street, Flossmoor, Illinois.

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1Date of transcription 6/28/72

At 12:15 P.M. a green Buick bearing 1972 Illinois license PK 9744 was observed parked at Cipriani's Restaurant, Halstead Street, Chicago Heights, Illinois.

At 1:01 P.M. FRANK LAPORTE was observed entering the above described Buick and a white male age 65-70, white hair, wearing glasses, 5 feet 7 inches tall, weighing 165 pounds, was observed departing the front of the restaurant and entering a car bearing 1972 Illinois license 127-924.

Also at 1:01 P.M. two men exited the restaurant and entered a 1970 Chevrolet bearing 1972 Illinois license CA 1976.

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by SA RICHARD BARRY SMITH RBS/ Date dictated 6/28/72

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It was reported that Supra, 1972 Illinois license 127 924 is registered to [REDACTED] On June 22, 1972, [REDACTED] Investigator, Illinois State Department of Revenue advised that [REDACTED] is employed as a collector for the Department of Revenue. [REDACTED] is an ex-chief of Police in Calumet Park, Illinois.

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CG T-2 advised on June 21, 1972, he had learned that FRANK LA PORTE had purchased an old Phillips Gasoline Station located approximately 2011 Western Avenue, Chicago Heights, Illinois, and possibly plans to move the Cooperative Music Store which he owns into a vacant portion of the building.

On July 12, 1972, this source advised he learned LA PORTE does in fact intend to move the Cooperative Music Store to the Western Avenue address.

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1Date of transcription 6/29/72

8:45 a.m. A green car bearing 1972 Illinois license VT 7065 was observed parked at the Insty Paints Store, 2011 Western Avenue, Chicago Heights, Illinois.

10:38 a.m. A white male, 25 to 30, dark hair, wearing sunglasses entered the above car with another white, male.

10:39 a.m. - The above car drove north on Western
10:40 a.m. Avenue to Joe Orr Road.

10:40 a.m. The above car parked at the Olympia Plaza, Joe Orr Road, Chicago Heights, Illinois.

10:44 a.m. The above car was gone from the Olympia Plaza.

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On July 12, 1972, investigation established that the address 2009 and 2011 Western Avenue, Chicago Heights, Illinois, is an old Phillips Gasoline Station. It is located near Romano's Pizza on Western Avenue, and bears a red stripe along the side. The building contains two large rooms or office and is on the eastern side of the street. The building itself bears no address numbers but a sign located on the outside advertising Insty Prints occupies the south portion of this building. The north portion appeared to be vacant. Investigation was established that a [REDACTED] (PH) manages Insty Prints and that the address for Insty Prints is 2011 Western Avenue, Chicago Heights, Illinois, telephone number 481-1616. According to [REDACTED] the office next to him which probably has an address of 2009 Western Avenue, is not for rent because the owner FRANK LA PORTE is planning to move the Cooperative Music Store in Chicago Heights, Illinois, into that office. b6 b7C

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Date 5/10/72

The following observations were made on
Wednesday, May 3, 1972:

9:10 A.M. The only car parked at the residence of FRANK FRANZE was a Chevrolet Station Wagon. The only car parked at the BARTUSIEWICZ'S residence was a maroon Buick. There were no cars visible at the residences of PULCINI or LA PORTE.

10:50 A.M. SAM DI GIOVANNI'S black Buick was parked at his residence.

11:15 A.M. DI GIOVANNI'S car was parked in front of Co-Operative Music on Halsted Street.

12:02 P.M. DI GIOVANNI'S car was parked at his residence.

6:35 P.M. Parked at [redacted] Marathon Service Station, Sauk Trail and Chicago Road was [redacted] green Mercury which has 1972 Illinois License PL 5959.

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 SA J. CARLTON PARKER, JR. JCP/ier Date dictated 5/8/72

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1Date of transcription 6/22/7212:45 PM -
1:26 PM

A 1971 black over tan Buick bearing 1972 Illinois license NP 9912, was observed parked at the cooperative Music store, 1729 Halsted Street, Chicago Heights, Illinois.

1:27 PM -
1:30 PM

MARTIN PULCINI was observed departing the cooperative music store, walking to the above described Buick and placing a package in the truck.

a:31 PM -
1:46 PM

MARTIN PULCINI entered the above described Buick and drove to 1730 Cambridge, Flossmoor, Illinois, via Chicago Road and Dixie Highway.

1:47 PM -
1:49 PM

MARTIN PULCINI was observed opening the truck of the above described car taking out a package and entering the residence at 1730 Cambridge, Flossmoor, Illinois.

2:19 PM

The above described car was gone from 1730 Cambridge, Flossmoor.

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by SA RICHARD BARRY SMITH

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10:56 a.m. FRANK LAPORTE was observed driving a green Buick bearing 1972 Illinois license PM 9744, at the intersection of Volmer Road and Cambridge Avenue, Flossmoor, Illinois.

10:58 a.m. LAPORTE was observed driving south on Dixie Highway to Halsted Street, Chicago Heights, Illinois.

11:01 a.m. LAPORTE was observed parking his car by the side entrance of the Cooperative Music Store, 1728 Halsted, Chicago Heights, Illinois and going inside this entrance.

11:06 a.m. A Pontiac bearing 1972 Illinois license NP 9679, driven by a white, male, age 50 to 55 wearing sunglasses, with dark curly hair, parked opposite the side entrance of the Cooperative Music Store.

11:07 a.m. The white male departed from the Pontiac and turned the corner out of view on Halsted Street.

11:15 a.m. The green Buick was still parked at the Cooperative Music Store.

11:22 a.m. A black Buick bearing 1972 Illinois license 545-832 was observed at the Cooperative Music Store.

11:30 a.m. The above described Buicks were both gone from the Cooperative Music Store.

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by SA RICHARD BARRY SMITH RBS/mek Date dictated 6/23/72

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12:22 p.m.

The above described Pontiac was still at
the Cooperative Music Store.



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Chicago, Illinois

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Title FRANK LA PORTE

Character ANTI - RACKETEERING

Reference is made to Chicago report of
Special Agent Richard Barry Smith dated
and captioned as above.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities
are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable
information in the past.

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TO ACTING DIRECTOR (92-5793)

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also known as Anti-Racketeering
FRANK LA PORTE, AKA. AR. 00: CHICAGO. Office of Origin

AS BUREAU AND SAN DIEGO AWARE, LA PORTE HAS BEEN THE UPPER
ECHELON LEADER OF ORGANIZED CRIME RESPONSIBLE FOR THE AFFAIRS OF
ORGANIZED CRIME IN SOUTHERN COOK COUNTY AND IN WILL COUNTY,
ILL., FOR THE PAST THREE OR SO DECADES.

AS SAN DIEGO HAS RECENTLY ADVISED, LA PORTE WAS RECENTLY
IN SAN DIEGO CONFERRING WITH La Cosa Nostra FIGURES THERE.
Top Echelon Informant

[REDACTED] ADVISED OCTOBER THIRTY ONE INSTANT
THAT LA PORTE DIED OF A HEART ATTACK IN ST. JAMES HOSPITAL EARLY
AM THIS DATE.

CTE ADVISED THE WAKE WILL BE HELD AT THE WEST END FUNERAL
PARLOR, DIXIE HIGHWAY AND HALSTED STREET, CHICAGO HEIGHTS, ILL.,
COMMENCING THIS PM, HOWEVER HE EXPECTS MOST LEADERS AND PROMINENT
MEMBERS ORGANIZED CRIME WILL ATTEND WAKE PM NOVEMBER ONE NEXT.

SAN DIEGO REQUESTED TO CONTACT [REDACTED] WHO
IS CLOSE ASSOCIATE OF LA PORTE WHO MAY ATTEND FUNERAL FOR ANY
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DETAILS KNOWN TO THAT INFORMANT CONCERNING
POSSIBLE SUCCESSOR TO LA PORTE; NOTING THAT LA PORTE'S LEADING
LIEUTENANTS AT THIS TIME ARE AL PILOTTO, LABOR UNION OFFICIAL, AND
JAMES CATUARA, WHO IS UNDER TWO FEDERAL INDICTMENTS.

BUREAU WILL BE ADVISED OF DEVELOPMENTS.

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TO ACTING DIRECTOR (92-5793)

FROM CHICAGO (92-290) 2P

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FRANK LA PORTE, AKA. AR. OO: CHICAGO.

REMYTEL OCTOBER THIRTY ONE LAST ADVISING OF DEATH OF
LA PORTE.

LA PORTE WAS WAKED AT WEST END FUNERAL PARLOR, CHICAGO
HEIGHTS ON NOVEMBER ONE AND TWO AND
BUREAU FROM ST. ROCCO'S CHURCH IN CHICAGO HEIGHTS, ILL., ON
NOVEMBER THREE LAST.

THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS WERE OBSERVED IN ATTENDANCE AT
THE WAKE AND/OR FUNERAL: NICK PAGORIA, CHICAGO HEIGHTS POLICE
COMMISSIONER; JOSEPH FASO, CHICAGO HEIGHTS WATER COMMISSIONER;

[REDACTED] TEAMSTER'S UNION OFFICIAL IN CHICAGO HEIGHTS;
AL PILOTTO, PROMINENT LCN MEMBER IN CHICAGO HEIGHTS WHO IS ONE OF
LOGICAL CHOICES TO SUCCEED LAPORTE AND WHO IS PRESIDENT LOCAL
FIVE, INTERNATIONAL LABORERS UNION, CHICAGO HEIGHTS AND BROTHER
OF THE CHICAGO HEIGHTS POLICE CHIEF; ANTHONY J. ACCARDO, RALPH
PIERCE AND JOSEPH AIUPPA, ALL UPPER ECHELON LEADERS OF ORGANIZED

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CRIME CHICAGO AND [REDACTED] LGN MEMBER AND
CHAUFFEUR AND BODYGUARD OF PIERCE, AND NUMEROUS OTHERS.

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NOTED THAT APPEARANCE OF TOP PUBLIC OFFICIALS AT WAKE
AND FUNERAL IS DEPARTURE FROM RECENT CUSTOM IN CHICAGO AREA
INASMUCH AS IT WILL BE RECALLED THAT WHEN SAM GIANCANA WAS
TOP BOSS HERE HE ISSUED ORDERS THAT SUCH OFFICIALS WERE NOT
TO ATTEND SUCH PUBLIC AFFAIRS SO AS NOT TO COMPROMISE THEM.
APPEARANCE OF THESE OFFICIALS EXPECTED TO RECEIVE PUBLIC
NOTICE IN PRESS.

BUREAU WILL BE KEPT ADVISED OF DEVELOPMENTS.

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~~CORRECTION: PAGE ONE THIRD LINE FROM BOTTOM SECOND WORD SHOULD BE~~
~~"INTERNATIONAL"~~

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI ⁹²⁻⁵⁷⁹³ (92-6793)

DATE: 11/13/72

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (92-920)

SUBJECT: FRANK LAPORTE
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Re Chicago teletype to Bureau 10/31/72.

Subject died of an apparent heart attack at his home in Flossmoor, Illinois on October 30, 1972. He was waked at the West End Funeral Home, 1430 Otto Boulevard, Chicago Heights, Illinois. Mass was held at St. Rocco Church, 315 East 22nd Street, Chicago Heights, Illinois on November 3, 1972 and burial took place thereafter.

The above is being submitted so that all offices can be notified relative to the La Cosa Nostra Membership Index.

FD-385 noting status change being submitted.

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TITLE OF CASE FRANK LAPORTE, aka		REPORT MADE BY SA RICHARD BARRY SMITH	TYPED BY tmt
<i>54</i> 		CHARACTER OF CASE AR	

REFERENCES: Chicago report of SA RICHARD BARRY SMITH dated 8/2/72.
 Indianapolis letter to Chicago dated 11/28/72, (Interoffice).
 Chicago teletype to Bureau dated 10/31/72.
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ADMINISTRATIVE

The investigative period of this report is excessive; however, the case was kept current through communications and all investigation was included from leads outstanding. Investigation is being intensified regarding subject's reported successor, ALFRED J. PILOTTO. This case is being closed in view of subject's death.

INFORMANTS

Source

Contacted On

Contacting Agent

CG T-1 is

[REDACTED]

SA RICHARD BARRY
SMITH

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CG T-2 is

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SA WILLIAM F. ROEMER,
JR.

CG T-3 is

Chicago Police Department
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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Copy to: 1 - USA, Chicago
1 - AIC, Chicago Field Office, [REDACTED]

Report of: SA RICHARD BARRY SMITH Office: Chicago
Date: JAN 22 1973

Field Office File #: 92-920 Bureau File #: 92-5793

Title: FRANK LAPORTE

Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis:

FRANK LAPORTE died 10/30/72 during the evening hours and was buried 11/3/72. Organized crime figures and officials of Chicago Heights, Illinois, present at wake and/or funeral set forth. Observation at Cooperative Music Store, Chicago Heights, Illinois, and of LAPORTE prior to 10/30/72 set forth. [REDACTED] associate of LAPORTE, interviewed and results set forth.

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DETAILS:

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Date of transcription 9/5/72

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The following observations were made at times and locations indicated on August 29, 1972:

10:54 a.m.	A sign was observed in front on 2009 Western Avenue, Chicago Heights, Illinois indicating that the Cooperative Music Store is located at that address.	
10:55 a.m.	A green old model Chevrolet bearing 1972 Illinois license 284 910 was parked to the rear of the Cooperative Music Store, 2009 Western Avenue, Chicago Heights, Illinois. Also observed was a yellow truck from the City of Chicago Heights Street Department.	
11:20 a.m. to 11:29 a.m.	<div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 100px; height: 1.2em; display: inline-block;"></div> was observed in the yellow truck, described above, driving from the rear of the Cooperative Music Store. He drove through the Beacon Hills Section of Park Forest, Illinois to Chicago Heights, Illinois and proceeded to the parking lot of the City of Chicago Heights Street Department on Hickory Street.	b6 b7c
11:30 a.m.	PALCEK was observed entering the garage door of the street department and walking through a rear door on the east side of the building.	
11:31 a.m.	A green Buick Electra, bearing 1972 Illinois license PK 9744 was observed parked on Hickory Street, Chicago Heights, Illinois, just around the corner from the Cooperative Music Store, 1728 Halsted Street.	
11:31 a.m.	A sign was observed on the door of the Cooperative Music Store indicating that	

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the building was being torn down and it was moving to the Western Street address noted above.

11:37 a.m.
to

11:39 a.m.

[] was observed walking out of the garage of the Street Department with FRANK LAPORTE. The two men shook hands and stood talking.

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11:40 a.m.

[] left LAPORTE and went back into the garage while LAPORTE stood talking to a workman who was changing some things on a window of the building on the northwest corner of Hickory and Halsted Streets.

11:45 a.m.

LAPORTE was no longer observed on the street, but the above described Buick was still parked in the same location.

11:51 a.m.

LAPORTE and a white haired man having the same general appearance as MARTIN PULCINI were observed driving west on Hickory Street.

12:11 p.m.

The above described Buick was observed parked at Savoia's Restaurant, Lincoln Highway, Chicago Heights, Illinois.

1:27 p.m.

LAPORTE and the white haired man observed in the Buick driving west on Highway 30, Chicago Heights, Illinois, to Western Avenue and then south.

1:36 p.m.

The Buick was observed parked at the Cooperative Music, 2009 Western Avenue, Chicago Heights, Illinois.

1:37 p.m.

A car bearing 1972 Illinois license VX 6391 was observed parked in front of the Cooperative Music Store.

1:42 p.m.

LAPORTE observed leaving the Cooperative Music Store and entering the Insty-Prints Store, located in the same building at 2011 Western Avenue, Chicago Heights, Illinois.

1:43 p.m.

The white haired man observed entering the driver's side of the Buick.

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1:44 p.m. LAPORTE observed departing Insty-
Prints and entering the Buick.

1:45 p.m. The Buick proceeded through the
to Beacon Hills Section of Park Forest,
1:55 p.m. Illinois to Chicago Heights, Illinois.

1:56 p.m. The Buick was parked on Hickory Street,
Chicago Heights, Illinois beside the
Cooperative Music Store, 1728 Halsted
Street.

1:58 p.m. LAPORTE observed driving the Buick west
to on Hickory Street, Chicago Heights,
2:07 p.m. Illinois. He turned south on Chicago
Road and then West on 26th Street. He
then turned south on Ashland.

2:08 p.m. The Buick was lost in traffic.

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The following observations were made on 10/20/72.
All licenses observed were 1972 Illinois Licenses:

9:33 AM The only car parked at 1730 and 1740 Cambridge, Flossmoore, Illinois, was a car bearing 1972 Illinois License NP6747, which was parked at 1740 Cambridge.

9:35 AM Natalie Bartusiewicz observed taking mail from the mail box at the above address.

9:41 AM Observations at the Old Cooperative Music Store on Halsted Street and at the New Cooperative Music Store 2009 Western Avenue, both Chicago Heights, Illinois, failed to reveal the presence of FRANK LA PORTE.

11:33 AM Cars bearing licenses PK4718 and PK9744 and a faded yellow truck with the lettering "Cooperative Music Store" bearing license number 339221B, were observed at the cooperative Music Store, 2009 Western Avenue, Chicago Heights, Illinois.

11:39 AM A short white male, about 5'5" tall, age 50 to 60, grey tousled hair, and a dark-haired woman who appeared to be in her early forties, heavy set, approximately 130 pounds, entered the car bearing license PK4718, and they departed the area of the Cooperative Music Store. As they departed the Cooperative Music Store, they were observed shaking hands and saying good-bye to FRANK LA PORTE

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11:40 AM

FRANK LA PORTE got into the car bearing license PK9744 and proceeded south on Western Avenue to Steger Road, to Ashland Avenue, and he turned into a lane leading to a house located the third house on the east side of the street from the intersection of Richton Road and Ashland Avenue, Crete, Illinois.

11:41 AM

LA PORTE observed driving to the rear of this residence.

11:42 AM

The name [redacted] appeared on a mail box on the west side of Ashland Avenue, directly opposite the house where FRANK LA PORTE had gone. The name Asprin Acres also appeared on the mail box.

12:01 PM

A car bearing license PK9742 drove into the lane and stopped, and a gray-haired lady 55 to 60 years of age, 5'3" tall, 130 pounds, white, wearing dark glasses^{b6} a checkered coat, black skirt and sweater, got out of the car and went to the mail box marked [redacted] and [redacted]^{b7C}. She returned to the car and proceeded up the lane and behind the house where LA PORTE had gone.

11:58 AM .

Cars were observed to the rear of the residence where LA PORTE had gone, but the cars could not be distinguished.

12:16 PM

The cars to the rear of the [redacted] residence were gone.

12:26 PM to 1:15 PM

The parking lots of the following restaurants in the Chicago Heights, Illinois, area were checked for LA PORTE's car with negative results:

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Alcazar Restaurant, Cipriani's Restaurant, Savoyas Restaurant, and The Tivoli.

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Date of transcription 11/6/72

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On October 30, 1972, the following observations were made at the locations and times indicated. All licenses observed were 1972 Illinois licenses:

12:30 to 2:03 PM

A green Buick bearing license PK9744 was observed parked beside Cipriani's Restaurant, Halsted Street, Chicago Heights, Illinois

2:03 PM

FRANK LA PORTE and [] observed departing Cipriani's Restaurant and entering the car with license PK9744, with [] behind the wheel.

2:04 to 2:07 PM

[] and LA PORTE proceeded in the Buick to Kroll Glass and Hardware Store, 1437 Emerald, Chicago Heights. b6 b7C

2:08 PM

[] and LA PORTE got out of the Buick and entered the store.

2:15 PM

[] and LA PORTE exited from the store and entered the Buick and proceeded to the Chicago Heights News Agency and the Goat Club on Vincennes Street, Chicago Heights, Illinois, where they parked.

on 10/30/72 at Chicago Heights, Illinois

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SA RICHARD BARRY SMITH/pal

Date dictated 11/1/72

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[] got out of the car but it could not be observed into which store he went.

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2:19 PM

[] entered the Buick.

2:20 to 2:27 PM

[] and LA PORTE proceeded in the Buick to the Cooperative Music Store, 2009 Western Avenue, Chicago Heights, Illinois.

2:29 PM

The Buick was parked in front of the Cooperative Music Store and two other cars were observed bearing licenses PK1069 and VY1196.

2:42 PM

The car with license PK1069 departed from the Cooperative Music Store.

2:43 PM

The car bearing license VY1196 departed from the Cooperative Music Store.

3:03 PM

The car bearing license VY1196 was observed parked in front of 311 23rd Street, Chicago Heights, Illinois.

3:12 PM

The Buick with license PK9744 was gone from the Cooperative Music Store. A car bearing license VS2817 was observed parked in front of the Cooperative Music Store.

3:20 PM

The Buick bearing license PK9744 was observed parked at the rear of a house located on the east side of Ashland Avenue, third house from the corner of Richton Road, Crete, Illinois.

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3:21 PM

An elderly lady with gray hair came from the rear of the house, walked up to the Buick and the Buick began pulling out of the driveway. The gray haired lady did not enter the car.

3:25 PM

The Buick with license PK9744 was lost in traffic.

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On October 31, 1972, CG T-1 advised that FRANK LAPORTE had died during the evening of October 30, 1972, of an apparent heart attack at his home.

On October 31, 1972, CG T-2 corroborated the information above.

On October 31, 1972, Chicago Heights, Illinois news media carried reports of the death of LAPORTE. LAPORTE's mass was held at St. Rocco Church, Chicago Heights, Illinois, on November 3, 1972, and he was buried thereafter.

On December 19, 1972, CG T-3 advised that the following alleged members of Organized Crime in the Chicago Metropolitan area attended the funeral and/or wake of FRANK LAPORTE:

ANTHONY ACCARDO
JOEY AIUPPA
ALFRED J. PILOTTO
JAMES CATUARA

CG T-3 advised on the same date that also in attendance at LAPORTE's funeral and/or wake were:

JOE FASO, Chicago Heights Commissioner of Streets;
[redacted] Teamsters Official
NICK PAGORIA, Chicago Heights Police Commissioner.

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On November 17, 1972, [] was interviewed at his place of employment, the Chicago Heights Street Department, Hickory Street, Chicago Heights, Illinois, by SAs RICHARD BARRY SMITH and [] was provided an Interrogation; Advice of Rights form, which he read but declined to sign. He was then orally advised of his rights by SA SMITH.

[] was apprised of the reasons for the Agents being there, namely his relationship with the late FRANK LA PORTE. [] at first advised he did not desire to answer any questions, but immediately thereafter stated that he saw FRANK LA PORTE only on his lunch hours, and that the relationship was purely social. When asked as to the reasons for his being at the Cooperative Music Store, 2009 Western Avenue, Chicago Heights, Illinois, he advised that he had been there on occasion in a Chicago Heights Street Department truck to pick up garbage and miscellaneous materials at the Cooperative Music Store. [] was asked whether the Street Department normally picked up garbage for any citizen, and he replied that this was the case. He did not answer when asked what the function of the Chicago Heights garbage collectors was. He was reminded that he may not have told the entire story of his relationship with FRANK LA PORTE the first time he was interviewed by the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI). He declined comment on this. He stated that he is a loyal American citizen; but when asked whether he would be willing to cooperate with the FBI he immediately stated that he did not desire to answer any further questions without being in the presence of his lawyer. The interview was immediately terminated.

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by [] RBS/prk Date dictated 11/17/72

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The following are listings for 1972 Illinois licenses mentioned herein as obtained from the Illinois Secretary of State's Office, Springfield, Illinois:

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South Holland, Illinois

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1964 Ford Van
Kiddie Krewe/P. THOMAS
18525 Torrence Avenue
Lansing, Illinois

NP 6747

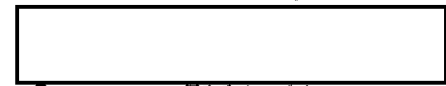
NATALIE BARTUSIEWICZ
1716 Cambridge
Flossmoor, Illinois
for a 1967 Chevrolet

PK 1069



Chicago Heights, Illinois
for a 1967 Chevrolet

PK 4718



Steger, Illinois

PK 9742

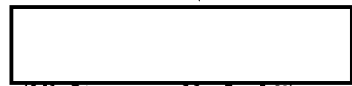


Crete, Illinois
for a 1966 Ford

PK 9744

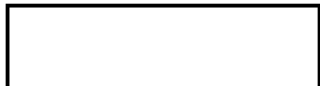
Cooperative Music Company
F. LAPORTE
1728 Halsted
Chicago Heights, Illinois
for a 1971 Buick

VS 2817



Chicago Heights, Illinois
for a 1972 Buick

VX 6391



Chicago, Illinois
for a 1963 Pontiac

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VY 1196

[REDACTED]
Chicago Heights, Illinois
for a 1966 Cadillac

On October 28, 1972, CG T-1 advised that FRANK LAPORTE had an interest in a poker game at Turkey Creek Country Club, Merrillville, Indiana.

Investigation by the Indianapolis Office during November, 1972, determined the Turkey Creek Country Club is managed by [REDACTED] reputed associate of the gambling elements in the Lake County, Indiana area.

On January 10, 1973, records of the Cook County Circuit Court - Probate Division, Chicago, Illinois, were reviewed but no record was located concerning any will of subject's having been filed for probate.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
Chicago, Illinois
January 22, 1973

Title **FRANK LAPORTE**

Character **ANTI-RACKETEERING**

Reference is made to report of Special Agent RICHARD BARRY SMITH at Chicago dated and captioned as above.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

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FD-557 (4-28-72)

TO: Director, FBI (92-5793)

DATE: 8/3/73

FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (92-920)

SUBJECT: FRANK LAPORTE
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- ☐ Category I ADEX Extremist
☐ Urban Guerrilla Warfare Suspect
☐ Venceremos Brigade Member
☐ Weatherman
☐ Bank Robbery Suspect
☐ Top Jewel Thief
☒ Other: (Specify)

Organized Crime

- ☐ Place Stop (See NCIC Manual, Part II, for Field Codes)
☐ Modify Stop (Enter Only Information That Is To Be Changed)
☒ Cancel Stop (Enter Name And One Other Identifier) (DECEASED)

NAME	Last Name	First	Middle	AKA	Last Name	First	Middle
	LAPORTE	FRANK	--				
FBI	Number	SOC	Social Security Number				

MNU	Miscellaneous No.	DOB	Date of Birth	POB	Place of Birth	RAC	Race	SEX
		10	7	01				
		Month	Day	Year				

MIS Miscellaneous

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LIC	License Plate No.	LIS	License Plate State	LIY	License Plate Year	LIT	License Plate Type
							NOT RECORDED.
VIN	Vehicle Identification Number	YVR	Vehicle Year	VMA	Vehicle Make	VMO	Vehicle Model
					6	AUG 8	1973
OLN	Operator's License Number	OLS	Op. License State	OLY	Op. Lic. Yr. Exp.		

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